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Culture in the Garden.

Bulbs are the most important winter bloomers for window culture. They are the easiest cared for of all flowers, and absolutely sure to bloom abundantly. Geraniums and Roses may, from some cause, fail, but bulbs never. Nothing is more pleasant or cheerful during a dreary winter than a few pots filled with Hyacinths, Tulips, Crocus, Narcissus, etc., displaying their brilliant colors and emitting their delightful fragrance for weeks. Add to these the many new bulbs which are now being cultivated for winter flowers, and at a very little trouble or expense a display of winter flowers can be produced which will be the center of attraction in any neighborhood. Freesias, Ixias, Triteleia, Alliums, Scillas, Chionodoxa, etc., are comparatively new, and beautiful beyond description.

The following is a list of the most desirable bulbs for winter bloom, being of the easiest culture, and sure to produce the most satisfactory results:

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Erythronium	20	Sacred Lily	19
Freesias	16	Scillas	20
Fritillarias	20	Snowdrops	15
Grape Hyacinth	18	Triteleia	20
Hyacinths	9 to 12	Tulips	4 to 8

Their culture is very simple. They can be potted during September, October or November, watered well and set away in a cellar or any cool, dark place to make roots, when, after remaining four or six weeks, or as much longer as desired, they can be brought out for blooming. We earnestly advise potting the bulbs as early as possible, especially if flowers are desired as early as New Year's, for the longer time they have to make roots the better they will bloom. By bringing out a few pots at different times a succession of bloom can be kept up all winter. If they are kept in a cool place while in bloom the flowers will keep perfect a long time. For the benefit of those who desire more explicit cultural directions we give it here in detail:

SOIL—The variety of soil is not a very important item in bulb culture. Any good garden loam will answer, but if we had a variety to choose from we would take a rich, sandy soil and mix it with a small quantity of leaf-mold. Do not use manure unless it is very old and well pulverized, and then only in small quantities, or it may cause the bulb to decay, or encourage too rank a growth of foliage.

FLOWERING BULBS IN WATER—Some people flower Hyacinths and other bulbs in glasses of water, and while they look pretty growing in this way, we cannot recommend it for, with the exception of the Chinese Sacred Lily, the flowers will be greatly inferior to those grown in soil.

TIME TO PLANT—Bulbs can be planted from September to December, and some kinds even later, but the earlier the better will be the result, especially if desired for early blooming. Plant in September or October if possible.

PLANTING—In planting, set the bulbs just below the surface of the soil, so that they will be entirely covered. Set the bulbs down in the soil and cover them; do not press them in by force, for this packs the soil under them, and when the roots start they are apt to lift the bulb.

AFTER PLANTING—They should be well watered and set away in some cool, dark place to make root. A cellar is best, for it is desirable that they should be kept moist and as cool as possible, hence a warm, dry place is not a good one. Water them from time to time as the soil becomes dry. They should remain in this position at least four weeks, and as much longer as possible, it being desirable that they should have good roots before bringing them out to bloom. They should, however, be brought out when vigorous top growth sets in.

BLOOMING—When brought from the cellar or store-room, the pots or bulbs should be placed in a light, sunny window. See that they are watered frequently and have as much fresh air as possible. Keep them free from dust, and when in bloom they will last much longer kept in a cool atmosphere than in a hot one.

TREATMENT AFTER BLOOMING—After the bulbs are through blooming, if one has the room or convenience, it is best to let them remain in the pots where they are for a few weeks to mature their bulbs. They can then be set away in the cellar and allowed to dry out, in which condition they can remain until planting time—the following September. They can then be taken out and planted in the open ground. By remaining there a season they will recover much of the strength which they lost by being forced during winter, and are in most cases all right for winter blooming again. Many people who do not have a place in their windows for the plant after the flowers have faded, prefer to throw the bulbs away and buy a new supply every year. Of course, this is a good plan if one cares to do it, and there is no doubt but that fresh imported bulbs will give much better bloom than those which have been grown and flowered here once or more, yet it is too bad to throw the bulbs away, and we would advise anyone who can to keep them and plant them in the garden. We have known people who have a light cellar to succeed very well by placing the bulbs there as soon as they have bloomed. The bulbs ripen up well, even in partial light, if the air is not too hot or freezing cold.

Culture for Winter Blooming.

Bulbs are especially valuable for outdoor planting, as they bloom at a time when the garden is utterly destitute, and make it gay and attractive. Scillas, Snowdrops and Crocus appear as soon as the snow is away, and are quickly followed by Hyacinths, Narcissus, Tulips, etc. The display which a few of these bulbs make in the early spring is indeed charming, and they are always appreciated more than any other class of flowers, for they come when most needed.

The many forms and rich and varied colors of the Tulip make this bulb one of the most important of all garden flowers for a gay and dazzling display. For delicate fragrance and refined beauty and grace, the Narcissus, with its great variety of form and charming colors, is always admired, and is one of the most pleasing of all bulbous plants. Of Hyacinths we need not speak, for they are well known; their large, round spikes of bloom in a garden or window lend a charm which no other plant can rival. No class of flowers is so easy to grow or surer to bloom than bulbs, and it is an established fact that they always surprise those who plant them by proving much better than one unacquainted with them can imagine.

For garden culture bulbs do not require a very rich soil and are easily cared for. Plant in September, October, or November, which are the best months. Late in the fall the beds can be covered with leaves or other coarse litter, which should be removed early in spring. After the bulbs are through flowering the leaves soon turn yellow and die, and are then ripe enough to be taken up and stored away for planting again in the fall, leaving the beds to be filled with other plants for the summer display, or, if desired, they can be left in the beds the whole year.

PREPARATION OF BEDS—Spade up so that the beds will be a little higher than the surface, so that water will readily drain off. If the soil is poor, add a liberal quantity of well-rotted manure.

TIME TO PLANT—September and October are the best months for planting bulbs in the garden, though if may be done in November and December. Set them from one to six inches apart, according to variety or size, and from one to three inches deep.

PROTECTION—After planting, the beds should be covered with leaves, straw or other coarse litter (as a mulch or protection), which should be removed when the bulbs start in early spring. This is not necessary to save the bulbs, for most kinds are perfectly hardy in any situation without protection, but it is most advisable to do it, for it preserves the vitality of the bulbs to a great extent, and when in bloom you can notice that those which were protected will do twice as good as those which were not.

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We make a leading specialty of Tulips this season, our growers having furnished us with an enormous surplus of extra fine, select Bulbs at a great sacrifice in prices. We give our customers the benefit of this, and advise them to plant them largely. Tulips are the most gorgeous and satisfactory spring flower. Remember that these low prices do not represent second-class bulbs (we do not keep such), but strictly first quality, large and select in every way.

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Chrysolora—Very large flower and widely opened. Color, a solid golden yellow.
Color de Cardinal—Large cup-shaped blooms of a rich cardinal red. Intensely brilliant.
Kaiser Kroon—Outside of each petal bright scarlet, broadly bordered yellow; inside deep yellow zoned with wide center band of velvety scarlet glowing like fire. Extra large size.
Miltiades—Large elegant flower, splendidly cupped. Pure white exquisitely shaded and clouded with soft pink.
Silver Standard—Beautifully shaped flowers of a fresh carmine scarlet, striped and feathered white. Very showy.
Wowerman—Extra large and fine. Deep magenta-red.

Price 4c. each, the 6 for 20c.; 3 of each, 50c.; 25c. per doz.

SIX RARE AND GRAND SORTS.

Cottage Maid, or La Precieuse—Lovely pink and white, most charmingly suffused and feathered, of immense size, most unique in color and one of the loveliest Tulips that ever bloomed, either for pots or the garden.
Globe de Rigaud—Very large, round flower of an odd lilac shade, freely striped and flaked pure white.
Joost Van Vondal—Beautiful glossy rose, deep rich red and pure snow white, the colors mingled and blended together in a charming manner. One of the largest and very finest.
Proserpine—A grand flower and a superb color. Exquisite rosy scarlet, a shade not found in any other sort, and lovely beyond description. Of great size and beautifully cupped.
Verboom—Flower of gigantic size, and richest glowing scarlet red. Extra early and fine in every way.
White Swan—Large, pure white flowers; extra fine for winter blooming.

Price 5c. each, the 6 for 25c.; 3 each 65c., or 30c. per doz.

THE ABOVE 17 SORTS FOR ONLY 40c.

MIXED SINGLE TULIPS.

Extra Fine Mixed Single Tulips, 20c. per doz., $1.25 per 100, $10 per 1,000.

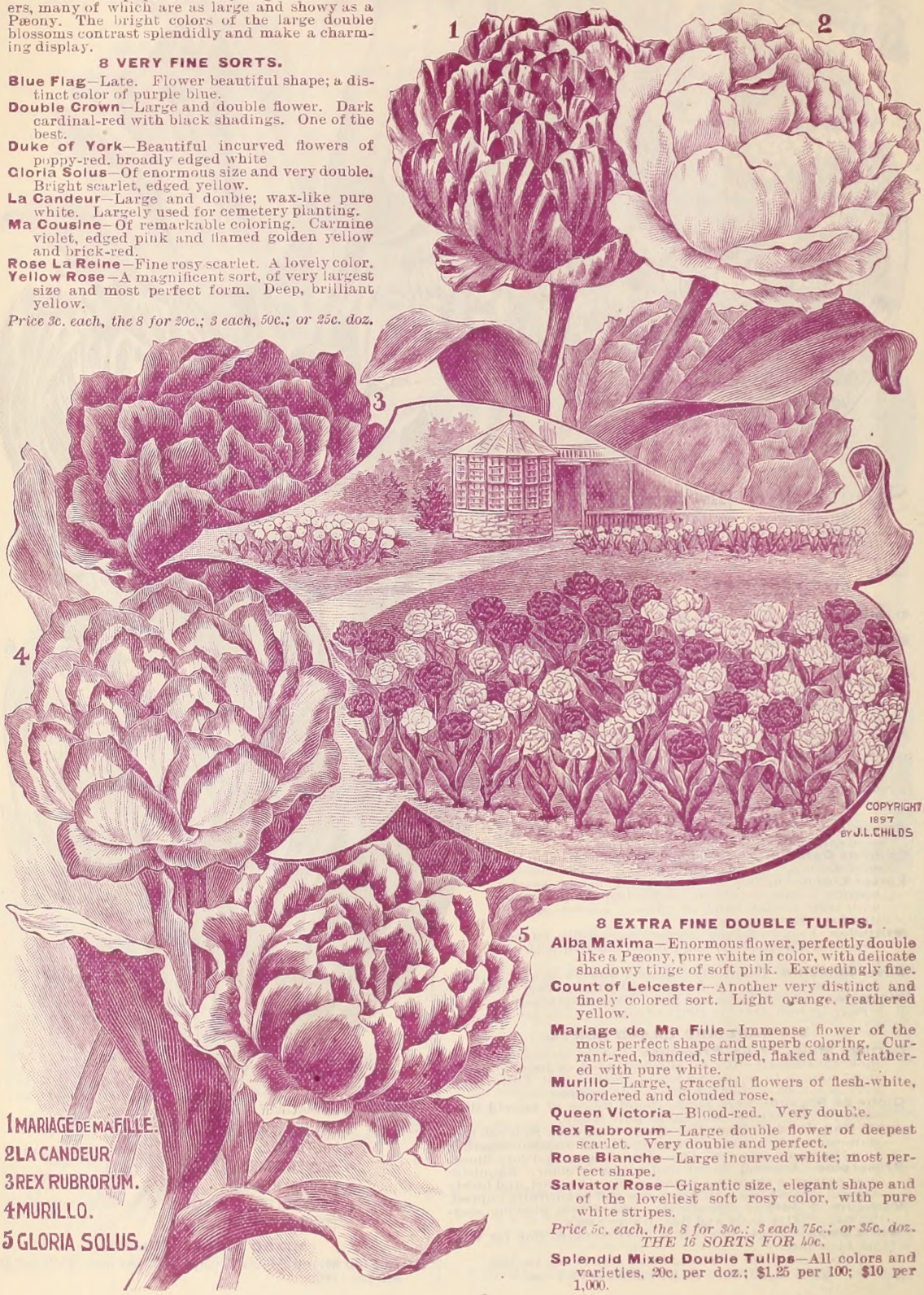
GRAND DOUBLE TULIPS.

Double Tulips produce very large double flowers, many of which are as large and showy as a Pæony. The bright colors of the large double blossoms contrast splendidly and make a charming display.

8 VERY FINE SORTS.

Blue Flag—Late. Flower beautiful shape; a distinct color of purple blue.
Double Crown—Large and double flower. Dark cardinal-red with black shadings. One of the best.
Duke of York—Beautiful incurved flowers of poppy-red, broadly edged white
Gloria Solus—Of enormous size and very double. Bright scarlet, edged yellow.
La Candeur—Large and double; wax-like pure white. Largely used for cemetery planting.
Ma Cousine—Of remarkable coloring. Carmine violet, edged pink and flamed golden yellow and brick-red.
Rose La Reine—Fine rosy scarlet. A lovely color.
Yellow Rose—A magnificent sort, of very largest size and most perfect form. Deep, brilliant yellow.

Price 3c. each, the 8 for 20c.; 3 each, 50c.; or 25c. doz.



8 EXTRA FINE DOUBLE TULIPS.

Alba Maxima—Enormous flower, perfectly double like a Pæony, pure white in color, with delicate shadowy tinge of soft pink. Exceedingly fine.
Count of Leicester—Another very distinct and finely colored sort. Light orange, feathered yellow.
Mariage de Ma Fille—Immense flower of the most perfect shape and superb coloring. Currant-red, banded, striped, flaked and feathered with pure white.
Murillo—Large, graceful flowers of flesh-white, bordered and clouded rose.
Queen Victoria—Blood-red. Very double.
Rex Rubrorum—Large double flower of deepest scarlet. Very double and perfect.
Rose Blanche—Large incurved white; most perfect shape.
Salvator Rose—Gigantic size, elegant shape and of the loveliest soft rosy color, with pure white stripes.

Price 5c. each, the 8 for 30c.; 3 each 75c.; or 35c. doz.
THE 16 SORTS FOR 40c.

Splendid Mixed Double Tulips—All colors and varieties, 20c. per doz.; $1.25 per 100; $10 per 1,000.

"DUC VAN THOL" TULIPS.

Duc Van Thol Tulips.

These are the best of all for house culture and the first of all to bloom out of doors. They are noted for the depth and purity of their colors, and as they bloom two weeks in advance of all other Tulips, are quite indispensable in the garden, as well as the house for winter.

Crimson - Fine for contrast.

Gold Striped—Scarlet, striped gold.

Rose — White, shaded with clear rose. Delicate and beautiful.

Scarlet — Brilliant, dazzling scarlet.

Violet—Lovely violet - crimson white border. Very distinct and handsome.

White—A fine pure color.

Orange—A fine bedder.

Vermilion—Fine bright color

Double—These are popular for house culture, as they are so certain to bloom, and so early and fine. No other double Tulips are as well adapted to pot culture. They are very brilliant, and being double remain perfect a long time. Color, red and yellow.

PRICE—*3c. each; the 9 for 25c.; 30c. per dozen.*

Mixed Duc Van Thol Tulips —All colors, 25c. per doz.; $1.50 per 100.

Picotee Tulips.

These are quite new, and to our minds the most exquisite of all. They bloom later than the single early varieties, or about the same time as the Bybloems. Flowers very large, and borne on tall, graceful stems, like Gesneriana. Each petal has a distinct border of bright crimson, which is most beautiful, and gives them the name of "Picotee." They are extra fine for winter blooming and for the garden, but they will show the most color in the garden.

Picotee White — Exquisite wavy petals of large size; pure white with a fine border of crimson, which makes the flower exceptionally beautiful.

Picotee Yellow -- Golden yellow with crimson edge.

PRICE—*5c. each; 6, (3 of each), for 25c.; 40c. per doz.*

"The most beautiful flower in my collection of Bulbs was the Picotee Tulip. It was simply exquisite, and I shall order a good lot of them this fall for myself and friends."—*A. D., Ohio.*

PICOTEE TULIPS.

BIZARD & BYBLOOM TULIPS.

Bizard and Bybloom Tulips.

It seems strange these are not more commonly grown, for their large, cup-like blossoms, feathered and flaked as only a Tulip can be, are always admired more than any other. Byblooms have white, light or violet grounds, flaked and feathered, rose, lilac, pink, purple, violet, scarlet, black and crimson. Bizards have yellow grounds, flamed and blazed maroon, black, scarlet, bronze and brown. We offer a fine mixture of every imaginable color and marking. We know our customers, if they could but see a bed of these in their gorgeous splendor, could not resist the temptation of buying a liberal quantity of them.

Byblooms—White ground, variegated with various colors. Fifty finest sorts, mixed, 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

Bizards—Yellow ground, variegated. Fifty fine sorts, mixed, 3c. each, 4 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for $1.25.

Tulipa Gesneriana.

The grandest Tulip in existence. Tall growing and late blooming, with large, long leaves, and tall, erect flower stalks, which support great waxen blooms larger than tea cups, of the most vivid, glossy, coral red, each flower showing a deep blue-black blotch at the base, that further enhances its beauty. They remain in bloom a long time, and clumps of this grand flower are particularly fine planted among evergreens or shrubbery, lighting up their sombre background as with a flaming torch.

Scarlet, Blue Center—The true Gesneriana, as described above.

Golden Yellow—Exactly like the above, except a golden yellow color. A superb novelty.

PRICE—*5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 18 for 35c.*

TULIPA GESNERIANA.

Sweet-Scented Tulips.

A new class of Tulips, with a charming fragrance, as well as beauty and brilliancy. Customers will be delighted with them either for pots or garden.

Prince of Austria—Enormous flower, of broad and round form, and of the same lovely orange scarlet as T. Greigi. Delightfully sweet scented, and a great acquisition.

Fiorentina—Large golden-yellow; very sweet. Buds, when closed, look like an enormous Tea Rose.

Macrospila—Brilliant red, with dark, zone-like center, bordered yellow. Size of Tulip Gesneriana.

6c. each; the 3 for 15c.; 50c. dozen.

SWEET SCENTED TULIP.

VARIEGATED FOLIAGE TULIP.

Variegated Foliage Tulips.

These Tulips are doubly desirable in that the foliage, as well as the blossoms, is very handsome. The broad, green leaves are elegantly bordered or striped with white or creamy-yellow, which sets off the brilliancy of the blossoms to great advantage. For pots they are just superb, and bloom splendidly in mid-winter. For the garden they are novel.

Mixed—All colors, double and single, 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Tulipa Greigi.

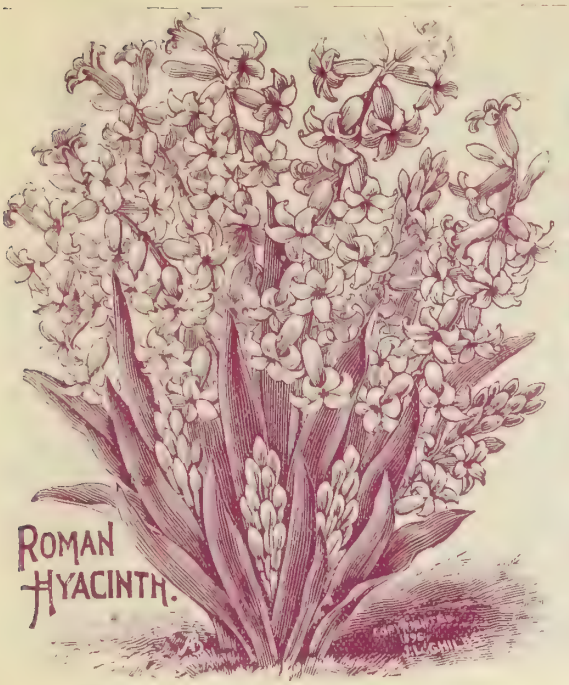
Its large, green leaves are variegated with black spots, while the flower, which is of the largest size, is clear, transparent scarlet, as clear and beautiful as a sheet of wax. No other Tulip has a color like it, and none are so strikingly beautiful. Its magnificent color shows up almost like a torch in a dark night. Splendid for pots or the open ground, being a hardy, rank grower, and early. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.

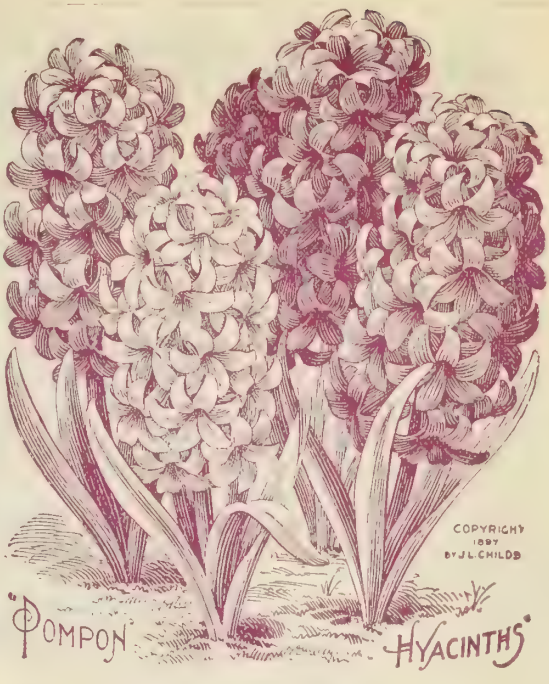
Darwin Tulips.

A new race of Tulips which produce only solid self colors and bloom early in May. The flowers are of great size, like Gesneriana, and are borne on tall, graceful stems. The colors are exceedingly rich and varied, ranging through all the shades of rose, deep red, violet, purple blues to coal black. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.

Tulipa Persica.

A rare and curious variety. A bulb will send up one stem, on which is borne two or three blossoms. These blossoms are golden yellow in color, and open out flat, being, when so opened, perfectly star-shaped. Very pretty and interesting. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.





CHILDS' SELECTED HYACINTH BULBS.

Beyond doubt the Hyacinth is the Queen of Spring. Its hardiness, ease of culture, and certainty to bloom, would alone insure popularity, but it has the additional merit of being one of the most decorative and ornamental of plants. Its massive spikes of waxen flowers are of the most perfect shape and most delicious fragrance, while its colors sport into a hundred shades, tints and blendings. Out of the long lists of Holland growers we have chosen the *very cream* of all varieties, either for pot or garden culture.

The bulbs here offered are not of second size or inferior quality, but first-class in every respect, large and selected.

Roman Hyacinths.

Not at all like the Dutch or Show Hyacinths, though they do not suffer by comparison. The slender stems, arching beneath their load of daintily poised bells, are the acme of grace and elegance, while so many spikes are thrown up from each bulb that the whole pot appears a mass of bloom. Roman Hyacinths are extra good for cutting, and so early that they bloom by Christmas, or before, remaining in perfection nearly a month if the room is not kept too warm. They are extremely early and bloom in the garden with the Crocus. Two bulbs can be planted in a 4-inch pot, or 3 bulbs in a 5-inch pot. The bulbs we offer are extra large and strong, superb for winter blooming.

Single White—The most popular of all. Every window should have several pots of these. Exquisite bells, white as the driven snow and pleasantly fragrant. Never fails to bloom. Extra large.

Single Blue—Dark blue bells. About ten days later than the white, with which it forms a fine contrast. A great bloomer. Extra large.

Double Light Pink—The double Roman Hyacinths are larger than the single sorts. This sort has elegant waxy bells of pale shell pink.

Double Dark Pink—Like the above, but a beautiful, clear, bright rose. Spikes long and heavy for this class.

Price, Extra Large Bulbs, 6c. each, the 4 for 20c.; 3 each of the 4 for 50c. Either sort at 55c. per doz.

Fine Mixed—Roman Hyacinths, all colors. 50c. per dozen.

Canary Yellow Roman Hyacinth.

Beautifully shaped bells in airy, graceful spikes; in color a soft, pleasing canary yellow. Really the finest of all yellow Hyacinths. Large select bulbs, 15c. each; 3 for 40c.; 12 for $1.50.

Extra Mixed Hyacinths for Pots.

Here we offer finest Dutch named sorts, mixed. The bulbs are *extra large and fine*, selected particularly for winter blooming, and are as fine as the bulbs of our named sorts, and will give as good results for pot culture. $1.00 per dozen.

Pompon Hyacinths.

A class of Hyacinths with comparatively small bulbs, and, as they are usually compact growers, can be more cheaply grown than the larger bulbed class. While the spikes scarcely average as heavy as other Hyacinths, the difference is small, and many specimens are fully equal to the best of the latter. They are splendid for either garden or pots, while for cutting they are best of all. Every hue, shade and color is found among them; the flowers are large and wax-like, and the spikes airy and graceful. We offer them so low that they ought to be purchased by the dozen for every plant window.

Double Red,	**Single White,**
Double Rose,	**Single Pink,**
Double Blue,	**Single Blue,**
Double White.	**Single Red.**

Price of above, 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; the 8 for 35c.

Mixed Pompon Hyacinths—All colors, double and single, 50c. per dozen; $2.50 per 100.

Mixed Hyacinths.

Our Mixed Hyacinths are not ordinary stock, but fine large bulbs which will give magnificent bloom either in the house or garden. We have marked prices down very low indeed.

	Per doz.	Per 100
Single Mixed, all colors, extra fine	.75	$4 50
Double Mixed, all colors, extra fine	.75	4 50
Double and Single Mixed, extra fine	.65	4 00
Pompon Mixed, all colors, double and single	.50	2 50
Roman Mixed, all colors, double and single	.50	2 50

Mixed Named Hyacinths Under Color.

Double White,		**Mixed.**	**Single White,**		**Mixed.**
"	**Red,**	"	"	**Red,**	"
"	**Pink,**	"	"	**Pink,**	"
"	**Blue,**	"	"	**Blue,**	"
"	**Yellow,**	"	"	**Yellow,**	"

Price of above 10c. each; the 10 for 80c.; or either color at 85c. per dozen.

Best Single Hyacinths.

These are the finest sorts for pots or garden, and the bulbs offered are every one of a select large size that will give magnificent results.

5 SPLENDID SORTS.

Amy—Quite early; fine spikes of medium-sized flowers of a deep, clear, carmine-red, glowing with richness.
Argus—Fine flower and spike. Dark blue with large white center. Extra.
Grand Marvel—A most beautiful sort. Large spikes of handsome, blush-white bells. Few so fine as this.
Norma—Beautiful pink, very large, and an extra early bloomer. Exquisite.
Pure D'Or—Spikes of pretty corn-colored bells.

Price 15c. each; the 5 for 50c.

5 EXTRA FINE SORTS.

Gertrude—Tall, with heavy spikes of extra large flowers of a distinct shade of lilac-pink, turning to silver-rose, striped carmine. Extra fine.
Gigantea—Thick spikes and large bells of a beautiful flesh color. One of the grandest sorts.
King of the Blues—An enormous compact spike of bloom, of a deep indigo-blue color. In size and perfection this is one of the finest of all Hyacinths.
La Franchise—A magnificent variety. Large, long spikes of blush-white blossoms, turning afterward to a snowy-white; petals very broad, and flowers of great substance measuring two inches across.
Pieneman—A magnificent sort, with enormous sky-blue bells arranged in graceful spikes of great size.

Price 20c. each; the 5 for 75c.

5 GRAND AND RARE SORTS.

La Grandesse—Finest single white. Very large spikes and bells. Color, clear waxy white.
Mammoth or Lily Hyacinth—A new sort with gigantic pendulous bells, each one of which is almost as large as a small lily and of the same shape. Color, white, delicately shaded blush. A large spike of these beautiful lily-like bells is indeed a most superb object.
Obelisque—A rare and exceedingly scarce variety, being the grandest of all yellow colors. Spike large and compact, while the color is the very best yellow.
Queen of the Blues—Enormous spike; one of the very largest of all Hyacinths. Beautiful light blue with silvery appearance.
Roi des Belges—Fine, massive spikes, crowded with flowers that open a rich self-carmine, gradually turning into a dark, glowing crimson. The brightest Hyacinth.

Price 25c. each; the 5 for $1.00.

THE ABOVE 15 UNSURPASSED SORTS FOR $2.00.

Mixed Single Hyacinths—All colors, 75c. per doz.; $4.50 per 100.

Best Double Hyacinths.

Grand select bulbs, grown especially for winter blooming, for which purpose each variety here offered is a real gem. Please remember that these bulbs are extra large and strong.

5 SPLENDID SORTS.

Bouquettendre Tall and compact truss; beautifully shaped florets of a tender rose color.

Bouquet Royal—Fine light pink or blush. Extra large spike and very beautiful.

Grootvorst—Compact truss, large and very double bells of blush-white, with a touch of lilac-rose at center.

La Virginiate—Spikes of tubular bells; soft blush-white.

Prince of Saxe Wiemar—Tall spikes of rich indigo blue.

Price 15c. each; the 5 for 50c.

5 EXTRA FINE SORTS.

Sunflower—Splendid large flower; one of the best yellows.

Lord Castlereagh—Very double; white, flushed with violet. A beautiful spike and very fragrant.

La Tour d'Auvergne—Very early flowering, and the best of all double whites. Florets large and wax-like and spikes of immense size. Very early to bloom and the finest double Hyacinth for pots.

Noble Par Merite—Fine, compact spikes of large double flowers, as perfect as little roses. A soft shell-pink, gradually deepening into a deep peach carmine.

Othello—Fine deep indigo-black. A very fine and rare color of exceeding richness and beauty.

Price 20c. each; the 5 for 75c.

5 GRAND AND RARE SORTS.

Milton—Fine compact spike of great size and magnificent color, being a deep dark red of peculiar richness. This is one of the very choicest varieties.

Lord Anson—Fine large spikes, florets of perfect form; color soft blush lilac, delicate and pretty.

La Grandeur—The ideal double yellow variety. No other sort of the color can approach it in size and magnificence of spike, and clear yellow tone of color.

Prince Albert—A most charming variety, of rich indigo blue, and large double flowers. One of the very best.

Prince of Orange—Extra large and magnificent spike. Color fine rosy crimson.

Price 25c. each, the 5 for $1.00.

THE ABOVE 15 UNSURPASSED SORTS FOR $2.00.

Mixed Double Hyacinths—A fine mixture of all colors at 75c. per doz., $4.50 per 100.

The Narcissus.

The Narcissus is fast becoming a rival to the Hyacinth and Tulip. The massive spikes of the one and the vivid colors of the other are missing, but the Narcissus—the Daffodil of the poets—has charms of its own to counter-balance these. For cutting or wearing it is the best of the three, being by far the best vase flower of the spring. Most of the garden sorts are particularly showy in masses, and do not require frequent re-setting to keep in vigor and flower, needing no care, in fact, beyond the planting. Others of this family are among our best pot bulbs, their clustered stars and stately trumpets of white and cream, lemon, orange and yellow, giving variety, fragrance and warmth of color to our window gardens. In pots they may be had in bloom from Christmas until April. Out of doors, from the earliest to the latest, they last fully two months. Our collection is a particularly choice one and *true to name*. We offer our bulbs at a low price to encourage extensive planting. Try a few bulbs, both for the house and garden. They will prove so beautiful and increase so rapidly you will feel doubly repaid for your outlay. They can be grouped along the border of shrubberies, or at the foot of rockeries, or under trees. Everyone should have early, medium and late sorts, as well as some of each of different types.

10 FINE NARCISSUS, CHEAP.

Leedsi—A lovely early sort, pure white perianth straw cup.

Trumpet Major—Golden yellow. One of the best for massing. Fine also for winter blooming. Early.

Scoticus or Garland Perianth white, trumpet yellow. Extra for forcing.

Stella—A favorite vase or corsage flower. One of the best for house culture. Extra large, star-like flowers, creamy white, with clear yellow cup. Early.

Princeps—Elegant large trumpet of a delicate canary yellow, and large, sulphur-white perianth. One of the most elegant and beautiful of all Narcissus. A very early bloomer, and extra fine either for the garden or for winter blooming in pots. Plant it largely.

Nana—The lovely dwarf golden Daffodil.

Incomparabilis Simplex—The fine old golden Daffodil.

Poeticus—Pure white, with scarlet-edged crown. Very fragrant. Late. Dozen, 30c.; per 100, $1.50.

Poeticus Ornatus—The flower is large, of the most perfect shape, snow-white in color, with a crimson-bordered cup. Not only is it the most beautiful Poeticus, but by far the most valuable, on account of its extreme earliness, blooming three weeks before the old sort. For winter blooming in pots it it just exquisite.

Poeticus Poetarum—Pure white, with orange scarlet cup.

Price, 4c. each; any 3 for 10c.; the 10 for 30c., or 30c per dozen.

PAN OF NARCISSUS, BLOOMING IN WINTER.

8 GRAND AND RARE NARCISSUS.

Golden Spur—Flower 4½ to 5 inches across and nearly as long. Petals of the perianth broad and smooth, long and widely flared trumpet, with deeply frilled and furrowed border. Color, a deep golden yellow. Blooms early.

Sir Walkins—Is of the chalice-flower type, or half-trumpet form. A gigantic flower, 4 or 5 inches across, with broad wing-like petals that shade from canary yellow at the tips to golden yellow base. Cup, golden yellow.

Golden Plover—Large golden yellow, round shape, great size and beauty.

Princeps Major—Enormous large trumpet of the most beautiful form. Golden yellow, with great sulphur white perianth. One of the most lovely of all

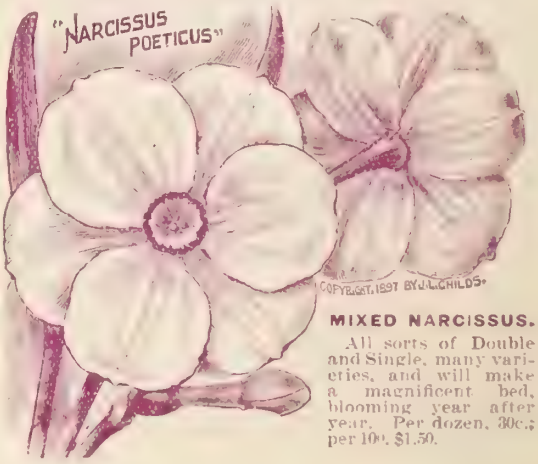
Moschatus—Large, trumpet-shaped flower of a pure white color throughout. The blossoms are of exquisite shape and pendulous or nodding, unlike any other sort.

Emperor—Broad, rich yellow trumpet, perianth deep primrose. Its foliage is very strong and the blooms enormous.

Empress—Possesses the same gigantic size and fine form of Emperor, but with golden perianth and white trumpet. Superior to Horsfieldi, which it somewhat resembles.

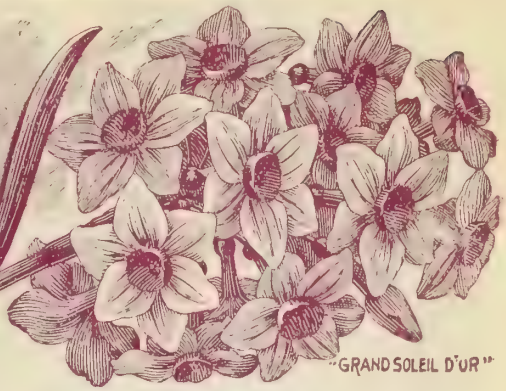
Cyclamen Flowered—An elegant variety, bearing several white, Cyclamen-like flowers on a stem. Novel and perfectly elegant, especially for pots.

Price, 10c. each; any 3 for 25c.; the 8 for 60c.



MIXED NARCISSUS.

All sorts of Double and Single, many varieties, and will make a magnificent bed, blooming year after year. Per dozen, 30c.; per 100, $1.50.



Jonquils.

(SPECIES OF NARCISSUS.)

These dainty flowers are a gleam of gold when in bloom and large clumps or masses of them are always admired. They are extra fine for pots, from their beautiful color, profusion and delightful fragrance and they flower very early in the window. In the garden they are perfectly hardy, and their lovely and delicious blossoms appear almost as soon as the Crocus. Plant a few at least. No garden complete without them.

Single—Very dainty blossoms of pure gold and such exquisite fragrance. Plant a good lot of them if possible. 3c. each; 5 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.

Double—Perfect little golden roses of the most exquisite beauty and fragrance. Nothing finer for bouquets. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.

Giant Odorous—We think this one of the finest yellow-flowered bulbs on our list. Flowers twice the size of other Jonquils, but retaining the same beautiful color and handsome shape, together with profusion of bloom. Its fragrance is lovely beyond description. This bulb is so eminently fine and so very cheap every garden should be supplied with it. The much prized Golden Sacred Lily is an improved variety of this exquisite Jonquil. 5c. each, 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.

1 each of the 3 sorts for 10c.

Polyanthus Narcissus.

They are considered the best of all Narcissus for pot culture, and by many esteemed the most beautiful. By starting the dry bulbs at intervals from September until January, a succession of flowers can be secured from Christmas until the first of May. No trouble to grow. Treat as you would Hyacinths. The flowers of this class are borne in large clusters, and are exceedingly fragrant, like orange blossoms.

Grand Solle d'Or—This has every possible merit, without a fault. A medium early bloomer that lasts a full month in flower. Large clusters of exceedingly pretty flowers of a clear lemon with deep orange cup. Very fragrant.

Lord Canning—Extra fine, of a deep or dark-yellow color, the petals being a little lighter in shade than the cups.

Queen of Netherlands Very early, and extra large and fine. Pure white; exquisite fragrance.

Bathurst Fine pale yellow, delicate and beautiful, and contrasts finely with other colors. It is in fact so distinct as to be necessary to make any collection complete.

Newton—Fine yellow, with deep orange cup. Extra free bloomer, and early.

Paper White Grandiflora—An improvement on the common Paper White, the flower being about twice the size, of beautiful star-like form, pearly whiteness and delicious fragrance. It is a very early and profuse bloomer and can be had in full beauty at Christmas and New Year's. One of the very best winter-blooming bulbs.

Double Roman—This is grown so extensively in Palestine and Turkey that it is known as the Sacred Narcissus of Constantinople. In Jerusalem it is the leading favorite of all flowers. Flowers very double, pure white with yellow center, and borne in large clusters. Its fragrance is superb, and it blooms very early and freely either in pots or the open ground. A grand winter bloomer.

For winter blooming few bulbs are so popular and so largely grown as the Paper White Grandiflora and Double Roman Narcissus. We have secured a quantity of bulbs of each, which are of extra size and strength, and will give magnificent results.

PRICE—6c. each; the 7 sorts for 35c., or 55c. per dozen.

Fine Double Narcissus.

Aurantius—Beautiful Gardenia-like flowers, and very double. The large outer petals are sulphur-yellow, the small center petals of sulphur and orange. Very early.

Albo Pleno Odorato—A pale white flower of medium size, but very double. Late.

Incomparable—Medium early. Large, handsome flowers, as double as a rose. Bright canary, interspersed with orange center petals.

Pumulus Plenus—Pure yellow; very double. The old-fashioned Daffodil.

Orange Phœnix—Nearly pure white outer petals. Center well filled with mixed white and deep orange petals.

Van Sion Old, but unexcelled. Extra fine for cutting. Single, star-like petals and long, double trumpet, filled with beautiful crimped petals; golden yellow.

PRICE *of above finest Double sorts, 5c. each; the 6 for 25c.; any variety at 40c. per dozen.*

Select Crocus.

The Crocus is the recognized harbinger of spring. Between the lulls of late winter's tempest its brave little flowers first appear, minding not the least frosts or flurries of snow For six weeks its bright flowers smile saucily at us, quite sure of their welcome. Their cost is so trifling that all can afford to plant them freely The Crocus has been much improved late years in size of blooms and variety of colorings. Crocus are extra fine for borders, etc., and are particularly charming dotted by twos and threes over the lawn. When up, they come in earliest spring and peep through the grass, as the wild flowers do in the meadow.

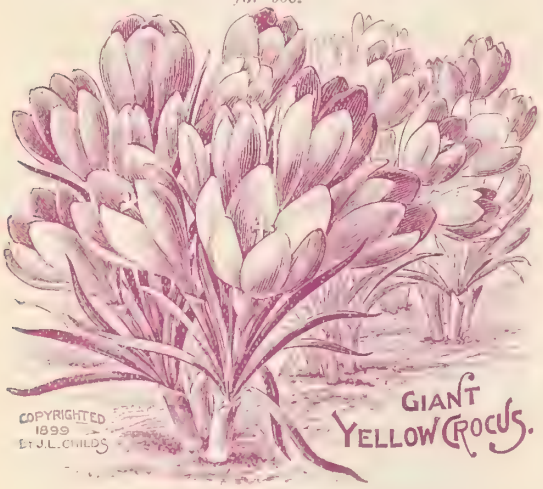
Fine Mixed Crocus—Of all colors. Fine, select bulbs, 10c. per dozen; 60c. per 100; $4.09 per 1,000.

Fancy Named Crocus.

The following are extra fine named sorts of odd and beautiful colors:

Dandy—Fine blue, white edged; lovely.
Othello—Rich purple-black.
Montblanc—Large, snow-white; grand.
Purpurea Grandiflora—Rich purple; enormous.
Cloth of Gold—Bright yellow, black spots.
Van Speyk—Extra large, rich violet-purple, striped white; the finest of the large-flowered striped sorts.
Sir John Bright—Lovely azure blue, large, fine flower, and a profuse bloomer.

15c. per dozen; $1.00 per 100; 6 each of the 7 sorts for 50c.; 12 each for 90c.



Giant Yellow Crocus.

It is astonishing the amount of blooms a single bulb of this Crocus will furnish The handsome flowers are very large and brilliant and a row of them is a wave of gold. Not another flower of its season makes such a display of brightness or becomes such a complete mass of bloom. More than twenty blooms have been counted from a single bulb. Bulbs are about the size of a Tulip and bloom extra early. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for $1.40.

Giant Flowered Crocus.

A few special extra large-flowering sorts of which we offer extra fine bulbs for winter blooming.

Giant White—Enormous pure white lily-like blossoms.
Giant Yellow—Gigantic bulbs which produce large golden blossoms in great masses.
Giant Striped (Lord Fielding)—Great blossoms beautifully striped violet on white ground.
Giant Blue (Sir J. Franklin)—Largest and finest blue.
PRICE *of above Crocus, 5c. each; 20c. per dozen. One each of the 4 sorts for 10c.; 3 each for 25c.; 12 each for 80c.*

Giant-Flowered Mixed—This strain is a special mixture of the best new sorts and improved seedlings, prepared for us in Holland by those who make a specialty of these bulbs. Only those sorts with the largest flowers and best colors are admitted in the mixture. Either for garden or house this Crocus mixture cannot be surpassed. Crocus for the house do not thrive under dry heat or gas, but do well in any sunny window of moderate temperature: they can even be grown in rooms almost destitute of fire heat. This strain of Crocus will be to our customers a revelation of beauty such as they cannot anticipate. Try them, both in the garden and in pots, by all means. Do not miss the beautiful treat they will afford you. 15c; per dozen; $1.00 per 100.

ALLIUM NEAPOLITANUM.

Allium.

Neapolitanum—People like it because is so sure to bloom and so daintily pretty. It is hardy out of doors, but indoors is one the easiest of all bulbs to grow. Three or four can be placed in a 4-inch pot. The stems rise to a height of eighteen inches, bearing beautiful umbels of fine starry white flowers that remain perfect a month.
Hermetti—Like the above, but of a pinky-white color.
Moly—Bright golden yellow.
2 for 5c.; 13 for 15c.; 100 for $1.00. 3 each of the 3 sorts, 15c.

Iris.

A most desirable garden flower, and in many respects one of the most charming and satisfactory. These varieties are all perfectly hardy and fine for the garden. Hispanica and Persica are fine also for winter blooming.
Hispanica–Magnificent plants both for pots and the garden. They bloom early and profusely, and are exceedingly showy. The colors are brilliant and cover a large range of different shades and combinations. Four or five bulbs planted in a 5-inch pot make a beautiful display for a long time in winter, and are absolutely sure to bloom well in any situation, treated like Hyacinths. In the open ground they are perfectly hardy, increase rapidly and make a magnificent display. It is really one of the most satisfactory of all Holland bulbs, and as they are very cheap we advise our customers to plant them largely both for winter blooming and in the garden.
All Colors Mixed—2 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for $1.00.
Pure White—Large and fine.
Pure Yellow—Rich deep golden.
Blue—A fine rich shade.
4c. each; the 3 for 10c. 25c. per dozen.
Anglica—Very fine, with large broad-petaled flowers and rich colors. Blooms a little later than Hispanica. All colors, mixed, 3c. each; 4 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.
Persica—Exquisite large blossoms of a greyish color beautifully marked with peacock spots. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.
Germanica—Finest named sorts, mixed, 8c. each; 12 for 75c.
Kæmpferi—See our Spring Catalogue, page 27, for complete list of grand Japanese named sorts. 10c. each; 80c. doz.

Snowdrops.

The earliest flower that blooms, and of such hardiness that it minds neither sleet nor snow. Exceedingly graceful and pretty, its nodding white flowers touched with green. Snowdrops bloom a few days before the Crocus and Siberian Scilla, but last until these are nearly gone. It is especially fine when planted in clumps and masses to contrast with the deeply blue masses of the Scilla. Much used also for lawns.
Elwesii, The Giant Snowdrop—As we now, March 20th, sit at our desk with a dainty little bunch of this Snowdrop before us, picked from a large bed of it on the lawn, we can fully realize what a gem it is. The grace and beauty of the large blossoms is enchanting, but what can we say of its fragrance, it is rich and so delicate, unlike any othor flower, and really second to none. This fine new Snowdrop was introduced recently from the mountains of Smyrna. It is three times as large and fine as the common Snowdrop, and a great acquisition, either for the garden or for pots. For winter blooming it is just superb, its large, snowy flowers appearing in profusion, and showing great beauty and airy grace. Price, 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20.; 100 for 85.
Double Giant—A double form of large flowering Snowdrop. Very beautiful. 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

Crown Imperials.

This magnificent bulb of gigantic size breaks ground with the Crocus, and the strong flower-stems at once attract attention. They grow so rapidly that in a few days they stand three feet high, crowned with a tuft of elegant foliage and half a dozen large, bell-shaped, drooping flowers. These blossoms are as large and as beautiful as Lilies. A grand bulb for early blooming. Each.
Single Red—Large and early..... 15
Single Yellow—Clear and fine.....*(The two for 25c.)*..... 15

Freesias.

A new class of Bulbs, splendidly adapted for winter blooming, and are, we believe, the most popular winter blooming Bulbs for amateurs. They are always sure to succeed and bloom elegantly for anyone in any situation, and the great beauty and fragrance of the flowers are everywhere admired, almost as no other winter bloomer is. The blossoms or buds when cut and placed in vases of water will keep perfect two weeks. In pots they commence blooming early and continue for a long time, the stems branching freely and producing several clusters of bloom in succession. Four to six bulbs can be planted in a five inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting and need not be put away to form roots like Hyacinths, unless it is more convenient to do so. Planting successively from September to November will give a succession of bloom through the winter. We cannot too earnestly urge customers to plant this charming winter flower. Their free growth, abundant bloom, delicate beauty and charming fragrance will be a surprise and delight to all. The bulbs we supply are extra large and strong.

Various Colored Grandiflora—This grand new strain is the finest of all Freesias, possessing tints, colors and variegations not before seen. Not only are the white and yellow colors seen, but pink, orange, violet, primrose, canary and some purple shades so deep and rich as to be almost red. The flowers are of gigantic size and borne in extra large clusters. The fragrance is rich and powerful. All colors mixed, 5c. each; 6 for 20c.; 12 for 35c.; 25 for 60c.

Refracta Alba—Pure white, very sweet and popular. Fine large bulbs. 2 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen; $1.25 per 100.

Leichtlini Major—Rich orange yellow and white. 2 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen.

Giant Bermuda—A magnificent strain. Flowers very large and freely produced. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per doz.; $1.50 per 100.

Mammoth French—Bulbs of enormous size. The magnitude of bloom which one of these bulbs will give will be perfectly astonishing. For winter blooming they are immense. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

BERMUDA BUTTERCUP.

Oxalis.

These varieties of Oxalis are all for winter blooming. They make the most beautiful hanging pots and baskets, producing a mass of flowers all winter, which, in brilliant and beautiful colors, are truly charming. Winter-blooming Oxalis are always sure to please. Plant five or six bulbs in a 6 inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting and need not be set away to form roots like most other bulbs. They bloom during the entire winter, a thing we can expect of very few plants or bulbs, and are for that reason doubly worthy of a place in every collection of winter blooming bulbs. Our bulbs are particularly fine, and the Grand Duchess, Bermuda Buttercup, and Versicolor, will be found to be exceedingly showy and free blooming.

Bermuda Buttercup—A fine, robust-growing, large flowering sort from Bermuda. Blooms in enormous panicles, each flower being as large as a silver half-dollar and of a clear bright yellow color. Bulbs commence blooming soon after planting and continue all winter witout a break. Easily grown in any window and a most satisfactory winter bloomer.

Multiflora Alba—A good sort producing pure white blossoms

Flava—Another fine new sort, with large beautiful cut or "crow-foot leaves" and gigantic blossoms of finest lemon yellow.

Bowi—Extra large brilliant red blossoms and luxuriant foliage. One of the very best.

Lutea Major—Bright golden yellow in large clusters. One of the most magnificent.

Veriscolor—The prettiest of all. Beautiful foliage and compact growth with an abundance of large pearly white blossoms, each petal having a wide border of brilliant scarlet, a combination which is truly charming.

Double Yellow (or Double Buttercup Oxalis)—This is exactly like the above except its blossoms are perfectly double like a rose. One of the finest of all flowers for winter blooming. A great acquisition.

PRICE *of all the above 5c. each; 3 of any one kind for 10c.; 12 for 30c. One bulb each of the 7 fine sorts 30c.*

Mixed Oxalis, 25 Sorts—A fine mixture of a great variety of fine winter-blooming sorts. 15c. per doz.; $1.00 per 100.

We take great pleasure in offering and selling Oxalis, for we know that they will prove much more satisfactory than anyone can anticipate. The Grand Duchess particularly are superb.

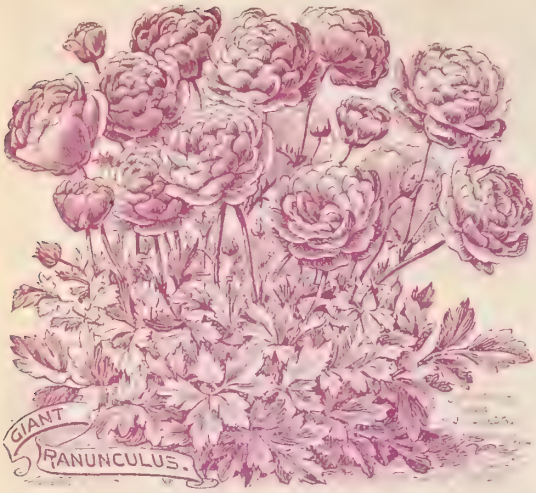
The Grand Duchess Oxalis.

This is entirely new, offered last year for the first time. There is no doubt of its being the grandest sort known. Blossoms immense, 2 to 3 inches across, borne well above the foliage, and of the most lovely pink color; leaves, large, clover-shaped and handsome. A most persistent bloomer, remaining constantly in flower from November to June. Surely one of the most exquisite and satisfactory of all winter blooming bulbs. We have two new colors to offer this year.

Grand Duchess Pink—Enormous size, bright scarlet pink. Finest novelty last year, and was widely advertised. It is one of the best and most beautiful flowers for winter. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 7 for 50c.

Grand Duchess White—New; pure snow white. A grand contrast to the above. 20c. each; 3 for 50c,

Grand Duchess Lavender—New; large and of a fine lavender color, unlike any other oxalis. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



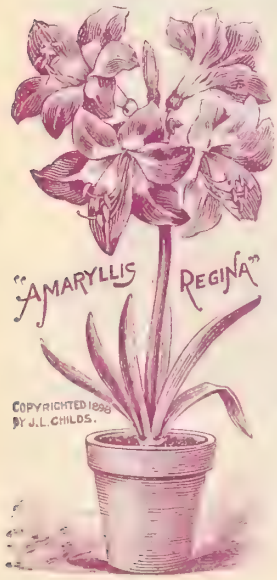
Giant Ranunculus.

We know of no other low-priced bulb that is so shamefully neglected. Their long, wiry stems fit them admirably for cutting, and for late spring bedding they have few equals. blooming, as they do, so freely, and bridging over the gap between the Tulips and the early garden flowers. For this purpose plant them three or four inches apart and two inches deep, with the claws downward. They bear the most lovely flowers imaginable—pink, white, black, yellow, red, blush and variegated, each about two inches in diameter, and as double and as perfectly imbricated as a Dahlia or Rose. After the foliage turns yellow the bulbs should be lifted and not replaced until late in the fall, or they will spring up before winter. Always choose a sheltered location. For house culture plant five or six bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as Hyacinths. They are charming winter bloomers.

Mont Blanc—Large and double; pure white.
Fire Ball—Fine double, scarlet.
Apollo—Magnificent yellow.
Black Turban—Large, double, black; odd and superb.
Belladonna—Rose, black edge.
Rockolico—Fine spotted new and fine.
Robinson—Fine pure rose; extra.

PRICE *4c. each; 3 for 10c.; the 7 for 20c.; 30c. per dozen.*

Giant French Mixed—A grand new strain of large flowering habit, and the most magnificent colors. Price, 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.



Amaryllis Regina.

The queenly beauty of this superb Amaryllis has given it the name of Regina (Queen) Amaryllis or Queen Lily. That it is a fine winter bloomer also adds much to its merits. Bulbs large and strong, ready to commence growth as soon as potted, and will soon bloom. Flowers very large, beautiful wide-open or spreading shape. Color soft lighscarlet with white center or throat. The charming color and beautiful shape of the flower makes this one of the choicest of the large and celebrated race of Amaryllis species. For winter blooming this is one of the real gems, ranking in beauty and value with Lilium Harrisi, Sacred Lily, or in fact, any of the well-known favorites. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00.

BLACK CALLA.

Black Calla.

Strictly a winter bloomer and will bloom no other time. Its flowers are enormous, fully a foot in length; color, clear coal-black, so intense that it really shows a brilliancy, and as may well be imagined, it is a flower of most striking oddity and beauty. A person who possesses a bulb of this Calla has, indeed, a treasure which will be the envy of the entire neighborhood. The bulbs are large, and should be potted in the fall, and when growth commences set in a window. After blooming the foliage will die down, and the bulb should be kept dry for planting again in the fall. In addition to its great beauty and oddity, it has a fine fragrance. It is a native of the Holy Land. Bulbs of mammoth size, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Grape Hyacinths.

One of the sweetest little flowers imaginable, and in masses very striking, making a wave of intensest blue that catches every eye. As hardy as an oak, and as it increases rapidly should be planted in every garden. Its spikes are just the size for button-hole bouquets, while its long stems enable it to be used to advantage in all bouquets or cut-flower work. If you want a "pot of blue," that will make your window a thing of beauty for a month in midwinter, plant half a dozen bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as other Hyacinths, and you will have your desire. They never fail to bloom, each bulb sending up two flower-stalks that rise to a uniform height.

Sky Blue—The most fairy-like of spring flowers.
Indigo Blue—Fine deep indigo tipped white.
Snow White—Long spikes of milky-whiteness.

3c. each.; 15c. per dozen; $1.00 per 100; 3 each of the 3 sorts, 12c.; 12 each for 30c.

CHINESE SACRED LILY.

Sacred Lilies.

Of all winter flowers the Sacred Lilies are probably the most popular and universally grown. Few flowers equal them in beauty and fragrance, and none in free growing and blooming qualities.

Chinese Sacred Lily—This is the one great winter-blooming bulb which is more eagerly sought after than any other. The bulbs are very large, and each one sends up from five to twelve spikes, which bear clusters of large, perfect, waxy-white blossoms with a yellow center, and of a powerful and delicious fragrance, which is not excelled by any flower. They grow well in pots of soil; but the most popular way of blooming them is the Chinese method, as follows: Fill a bowl or some similar vessel with pebbles, in which place the bulb, setting it about one-half its depth, so that it will be held firmly; then fill with water to the top of the pebbles, and place in a warm, sunny window. The bulb will at once commence a rapid growth and bloom in two or three weeks. Our bulbs are expected to arrive from China in September. Orders for them will be booked and the bulbs sent out as soon as they arrive. To make sure of getting the best bulbs, order as early as possible this fall. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.; 6 for 75c.

Japanese Double Sacred Lily—This is very fine, with large clusters of double blossoms. Offered last year for the first and sure to become very popular. Pure white with orange center. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00.

Golden Sacred Lily—As compared with the Chinese Sacred Lily this produces a much larger flower, though the bulb is smaller. Its fragrance is even better and its color a deep, glowing yellow. 6c. each; 2 for 10c.; 6 for 25c.

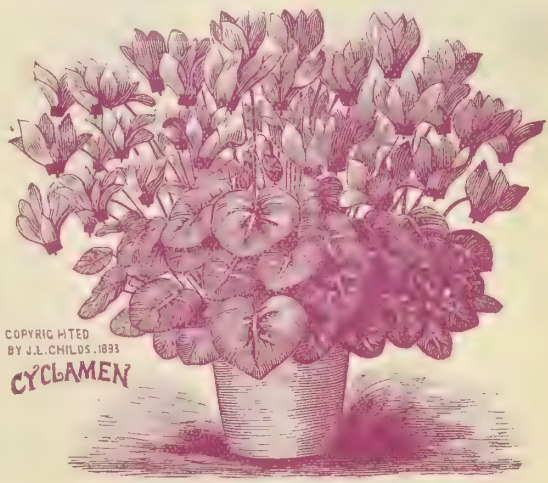
One each of the three for 30c.

Cyclamen Giganteum.

Few pot plants are so desirable as Cyclamen, especially for winter blooming. Though they are universal favorites, they are not seen in general cultivation to the extent that they should be, considering their ease of culture, great beauty and long season of bloom. Bulbs commence blooming in the fall and continue in the greatest profusion till June, each flower keeping perfect a month before fading, and a good bulb will show at all times from 12 to 50 well developed blossoms. They are of the most delicately beautiful colors, ranging from dark red to white, delicate blush and pink shades prevailing. Often the flower will be spotted and marked, or in other ways showing two distinct colors. All colors mixed, fine home-grown bulbs, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Ornithogalum Arabicum.

It is a native of Arabia. Bulb large and solid, closely resembling that of Hyacinth, and requiring exactly the same culture; leaves long and narrow, flower spikes 18 to 24 inches high, strong and graceful, bearing an immense cluster of large, pearly-white flowers, having a jet-black center. The illustration gives a good idea of its great beauty. The individual flowers keep perfect many weeks before fading, so that for more than a month this grand spike of bloom is in full glory. Its durability is almost without equal among flowers. Add to this its delicate aromatic fragrance and we have a winter bloomer which all must admit stands without a rival. Its culture is the easiest, as it will grow in any position in any window. A bulb can be planted in a four-inch pot, or several in a larger pot or box. Extra large bulbs, 10c. each: 3 for 25c.



Fritillaria Meleagris.

The newer varieties of this charming bulbous plant produce flowers of great and peculiar beauty and they are really among the most desirable of all fall bulbs for any purpose. They are superb for flowering in pots during winter, and for early spring blooming in the garden. The large, curiously colored flowers always attract great attention. They are of various colors and shades, but all are regularly and distinctly checkered. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

Triteleia Uniflora.

This is the "Starflower," now becoming so popular for both winter and spring blooming. The flowers are white, tipped and faintly striped lilac-blue, and are remarkably sweet-scented. A fine window plant if several bulbs are planted to a pot, as they bloom steadily for two months, and need no fussing with to succeed. One of the most charming fairy-like white flowers for winter. Price, 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

Erythronium Hartwegii.

This new variety is the finest yet introduced and should be extensively planted for winter blooming as well as for the garden. Perfectly hardy. Flowers very large, light yellow borne on long, slender stems, each bulb sending up 5 or 6 blooms as shown in cut. Foliage as well as the blossoms is exceedingly handsome and several bulbs will make a most unique and graceful pot of bloom. Fine large bulbs, 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

Camassia Esculenta

A beautiful bulbous plant with tall spikes of fine blue flowers in late spring. Several can be planted in a pot together for winter blooming, and will make a fine display. In the garden they increase rapidly and soon show great masses of their star-like flowers. Fine to cut for vases or large bouquets. A remarkably fine winter-bloomer often called Celestial Lily. Try a good lot of them, both for pots and the garden. 3c. each; 4 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

Scilla Siberica.

Hardy and fine. Blooms at the very edge of winter, and laughs at storms and sleets. Beautiful spikes of deepest blue flowers, freely produced and for a long time. Everyone who possesses a foot of ground ought to grow this. It should always be planted in groups, either in house or open ground. Nothing finer for pots. 2 for 5c.; 15c. per doz.; $1 per 100.

Calochortus.

The flowers are very large, borne on long stems and are of the most charming butterfly colors, white, yellow, buff, crimson, purple, spotted and shaded in a charming manner. For winter bloom they require only to be potted (4 or 5 in a five-inch pot,) and treated like Hyacinth or Crocus. When in bloom they will be a marvel of beauty and last a long time.

Splendid Mixed—All colors large and small. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 25c.

Anemones.

Very beautiful and brilliant spring flowering bulbs, which should be found in all gardens. They possess a beautiful range of very fine colors, such as brilliant scarlet, red, blue, rose, striped, carnation, etc. For pot culture they are very fine indeed. The time has now come for Anemones to be grown extensively, both for winter blooming and for the garden. For either purpose they are magnificent.

Double Mixed—All colors, 3 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen.

Star of Bethlehem.

A superb bulb for winter blooming in pots, or for the garden. Perfectly hardy, and blooms early in spring. Flowers star-shaped, pure white and borne in clusters. For pots it blooms a long time in midwinter and is very attractive. Try it by all means, both for garden and for pots; it will be sure to please you greatly. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.

Brodiaeas.

These are well adapted for winter blooming. The flowers are of various forms, colors and sizes, all exceedingly interesting and beautiful, and of the easiest culture. In the open ground they are hardy with slight protection, but their greatest value is for winter blooming in pots. They are so little known or cultivated that they are exceedingly interesting as pot plants. Their flowers are odd and beautiful and produced freely. Mixed bulbs of all sorts. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

Lily of the Valley.

We offer strong imported pips that have been grown especially for winter blooming. Plant half a dozen in a four-inch pot, keep rather cool until well started, then bring to the light and warmth, and keep freely supplied with water. You will be surprised at the rapidity of growth and the size of their lovely, fragrant bells. 6 for 25c.; 12 for 40c.; 30 for $1.00.

Ixias.

The Ixias produce their beautiful flowers in spikes, and are of the most dazzling and brilliant colors and sure to attract great attention. For pot culture in the house they give great satisfaction, being of easy culture and free bloomers. Half a dozen bulbs may be planted in a five-inch pot, and the display will be magnificent. For open ground culture give them winter protection with leaves or straw. Mixed, all colors, 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

Sparaxis.

The blossoms are very large and open flat, presenting some of the most curious and beautiful combinations of colors to be found. Their exceeding beauty at once captivates all beholders, and it is difficult to find a pot of flowers which will be more generally admired or bloom better than a pot of these fascinating Sparaxis. They require the same treatment as Ixias or Freesias. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.

Snowflake.

The airily poised blossoms of the Snowflake are exceedingly graceful. The snowy bells are touched at each petal tip with freshest green, a contrast most beautiful. Can be grown in a cool window, in the border, or at the foot of the rockery. Grow about nine inches high. For pots they are good, but do not bloom early. Give them time to develop slowly and they will be superb. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Cockade Hyacinth.

A real curiosity. First, a frizzed, cockade-like spike, an inch or two in length, appears above the soil, and as it slowly rises on its long stalk, it becomes five or six times as long as at first, developing into a long, feathery blue plume, and lasting for weeks in that condition. One of those pretty, odd things that everybody likes. Perfectly hardy in the garden, and fine for pots. In fact, one of the best and oddest winter flowers. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.

Hyacinthus Belgicus.

A distinct species, with graceful spikes of good-sized bell-shaped blossoms. It is equally adapted to garden or pots, producing a mass of bloom that is very striking and beautiful. Should be planted in masses to produce the best effect. Five or six bulbs may be planted in a five-inch pot, and will need no more care than other Hyacinths. There are three colors, white, pink and violet. Price of mixed bulbs, 3c. each; 2 for 5c.; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.

Chionodoxa.

(GLORY OF THE SNOW.)

The purest, clearest tones of blue are to be found in these flowers, that appear so early that they are often overtaken by winter's last forays. Blue is always a scarce color among house plants, and as the Chionodoxa succeed well in the house, a pot or two of them should be grown in every window. Their greatest value, however, is for garden planting. Here they form great clumps that in early spring are a cloud of dainty blue sprays. Mixed colors, 2 for 5c.; 20c. per doz.

Childs' Dwarf Everblooming Calla.

This is of a dwarf habit, and does not grow tall and scraggly like the old variety, but is strong and compact, with a great abundance of lustrous dark green foliage. It is a true everbloomer, its flowers appearing in great abundance both summer and winter when grown in pots, or it will bloom profusely all summer long in open ground, and being potted in September will continue blooming without intermission all winter. The same plant will grow and bloom for years without once ceasing, and the quantity of bloom which a good plant will produce is astonishing. It is estimated that six plants of the old sort will not produce so many flowers in the course of a year as will one plant of this new dwarf variety. A large plant is hardly ever without one or more flowers, and its dwarf, compact habit makes it a much more desirable pot plant than the old variety. Its flowers are of large size and snowy white in color. Price—First size, extra large, 25c. each, 3 for 60c.; second size, 15c. each.

Black Calla.

For full description see page 18. Fine large bulbs 20c. each.

New Sweet-Scented Calla, Fragrans.

Probably the greatest novelty of the year. It is identical with Childs' Dwarf Everblooming, possessing the additional charm of delicious fragrance. This new Calla was originated by Luther Burbank, of Cal., who speaks of it thus: "The plants are of medium size, compact in growth and bloom profusely. It has not only a most charming flower, produced in a profusion never before surpassed, but also with a genuine, sweet, lasting fragrance all its own, but similar to the fragrance of Violets or Lilies." 75c. each.

Calla, Little Gem.

A perfect miniature Calla, growing 8 or 12 inches high, and producing perpetually very large snow-white blossoms. It is in truth a perfect little Gem. 15c. each.

California Giant Calla.

Large-flowering Callas, which come from California, are now extensively grown and very popular. The bulbs are of large size, start quickly, and are soon in bloom. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

One each of the 4 Callas for $1.00.

Select Lilium Harrisi,

OR BERMUDA EASTER LILY.

Large pure white, trumpet-shaped flowers of great beauty and fragrance; as a winter bloomer nothing can surpass it. Plant in six to eight inch pots of good soil and treat like other winter blooming bulbs. It is impossible to describe the charming beauty of this Lily as a pot plant.

Price—Extra strong bulbs of enormous size, which will give magnificent results, 50c. each, 3 for $1.25; good flowering bulbs, 20c. each, 3 for 50c.

Lilium Candidum.

This fine Lily produces from six to thirty lovely waxy-white blossoms, which have the most delicious fragrance of all Lilies. It is one of the most charming winter flowers, and sure to bloom freely. Treat same as L. Harrisi. Extra strong bulbs of enormous size, 30c. each; 3 for 75c.

IMPERIAL GERMAN.

Select Pansy Seed.

Pansy seed is best sown in September or October, to get the best plants for early spring blooming, and young plants always winter well, ready to start blooming as soon as spring opens. Our seed is extra select and extra fine.

IMPERIAL GERMAN PANSIES.

Introduced by us several years ago, and now favorites the world over. Many inferior stocks have been placed on the market under the name, but, as the introducers, we may be depended upon to furnish the true variety. Large flowers of the finest coloring; stout, robust, bushy growth, withstanding heat and producing fine, large flowers during the entire summer. Flowers of great substance and beauty.

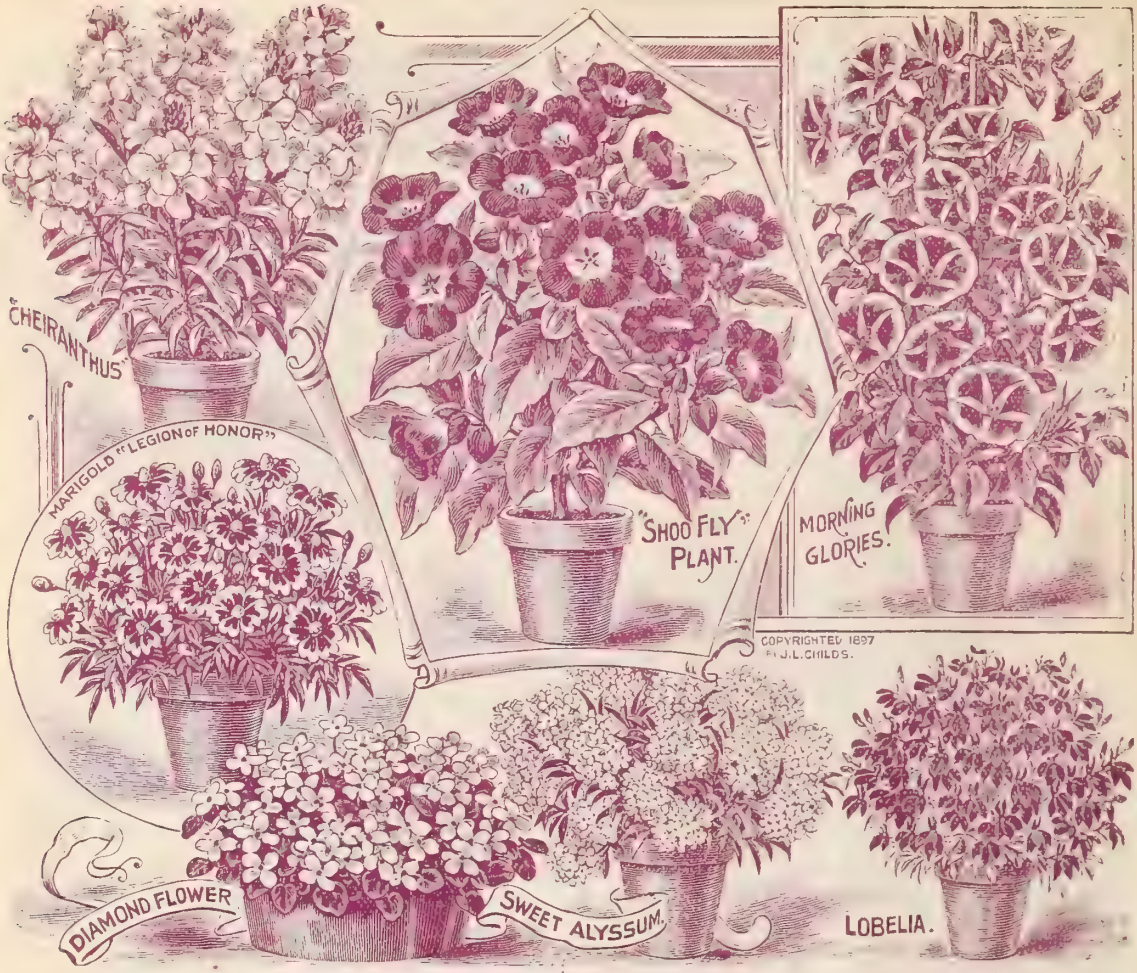
Per pkt.

Cloriosa Perfecta An indescribably lovely flower; a reddish steel blue, with distinct red and white rim.. 10
Snow Fairy—Grand snow-white blooms, profusely borne. Fine for cemeteries..... 10
Black Knight—A large Pansy of inky blackness..... 10
Thunder Cloud—Another grand Pansy of most unusual markings; large, coal-black flowers, each with red and white rim. Extra fine..... 10
Azure Blue—A clear, lovely shade, very fine for bedding..... 10
Emperor William—Elegant deep blue, very useful for bouquet making..... 10
Little Red Riding Hood—A good advance toward the bright red Pansy of the future. A rich reddish color, some of them very brilliant and showy. Only a portion of the seeds come true to character. 10
Deep Yellow—A fine color for bedding..... 10
Odier, or Five Spotted, Mixed—Beautifully spotted flowers. A peculiar variety..... 10
Large Spotted, Mixed—On white, yellow and reddish grounds. Very fine..... 10
Lord Beaconsfield—True. Flowers of great substance and size, shading from deep indigo at the center to the palest azure blue at the edge of the upper petals. Unlike any other Pansy and extra fine for cutting..... 10
Marbled—Beautifully marbled, various shades..... 10
Striped—Very showy and striking flowers, distinctly striped and shaded..... 10
Bronze Perfecta—A unique color, hard to describe. Exquisite to combine with the deep blue and purple Pansies in cut-flower work..... 10
Mixed Seed—Of more than fifty distinct shades of Imperial German, including those described above.... 10

One packet each of above fifteen Imperial Germans for $1.00.

GIANT EXCELSIOR PANSY.

It is impossible to do justice to these lovely flowers in a printed description. Cold type cannot convey an idea of the indescribable richness, the varied and exquisite coloring, the large size, perfect form, and great substance of the blossoms. Plants are compact and bushy, and produce great quantities of flowers, borne well above the foliage on strong stems. Owing to their vigor this strain withstands the hot and dry weather better than any other variety, and produces its great, beautiful blossoms in profusion all summer. Over a hundred different shades and combinationf of colors have been counted in one bed of this strain..... 20



Seed for Winter Blooming.

We have made extensive experiments with all quick blooming annuals, and to our surprise and delight find that some of them make the most beautiful pots of winter flowers that it is possible to have. Of the following kinds seed can be sown in pots of good soil at any time from November 1st to January 1st. They will germinate quickly, grow rapidly and be in bloom in a surprisingly short time, and the pleasure which they will afford it is impossible to anticipate. It is not possible to find any winter flower which will in true beauty and loveliness surpass some of these.

Alyssum, Little Gem—An improved variety; much larger flowers of a pure white, and if possible more floriferous than the old Sweet. Plant is also more robust and spreading, a single plant forming a thick mat of flowers and foliage 12 to 15 inches across. Per pkt., 10c.

Cherianthus, Fairy Queen—Flowers are borne in spikes and are very gay and pretty, being of bright crimson and lilac colors. Per pkt., 10c.

Diamond Flower—It is one of the loveliest little annuals known, rarely growing over two inches in height, and forms a tuft of beautiful foliage which is completely smothered in a profusion of white and violet blossoms glistening like diamonds. It will be in bloom within a month from the time of sowing the seed at any time of year. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Sprinkle a few seeds in a small pot or saucer, or in pots where other plants are growing, and within a month you will have a most charming mat of foliage and flowers—covering the surface of the soil like moss. Per pkt., 10c.

Lobelia Coldelse—A compact, low-growing variety, the foliage of which is golden yellow and is most charmingly set off by hundreds of blossoms of the brightest, deepest blue, with a pure white eye. Per pkt., 10c.

Marigold, Legion of Honor—A dwarf gem, and one of the prettiest pot plants, blooming in a month after the seed starts. Attracts great attention. Per pkt., 5c.

Morning Glories—For winter blooming. Seed sown at any time during the winter will commence blooming in about thirty days and when the plants are only three to four inches high, and continue for months. The flowers *remain open all day*, from morning until night, making as pretty a pot of flowers as you can imagine. The cut represents a pot of them forty days from the time of sowing the seed. They are in no respect hard to grow, and will succeed in any window. Per pkt., 10c.

Nicotiana Decurrens—Its long, tubular, star-pointed flowers are pure white, exceedingly fragrant and very profusely borne. It is one of the few plants that will flower well without a single ray of direct sunshine, and, for shaded north windows, is invaluable. Per pkt., 10c.

Nasturtium, Empress of India—This is most desirable on account of its beautiful dark-colored foliage and great profusion of large bright red blossoms. Per pkt., 5c.

Rhodanthe—For charming grace and beauty few flowers can surpass this. It blooms in about forty days from the time of sowing the seed, and as the flowers are everlasting they never fade. Per pkt., 5c.

Schizanthus, Childs' Winter Blooming, Mixed Colors—No flower in our conservatories last winter attracted as much atttention as did a few pots of this superb annual. Plants grow freely and flowers appear in large drooping racemes and resemble some species of Orchids. Try it, and you will have a pot of as novel and beautiful a flower as you ever saw. Per pkt., 10c.

Shoo-Fly Plant—It is claimed that flies will not stay in a room where it is growing if they can conveniently escape, though what there is about it that repulses them is not clear, as the plant or flower has no odor. Aside from this most remarkable quality it is a most beautiful flowering plant, and blooms in a very short time (60 days) from seed. It is particularly valuable as a winter bloomer, the blossoms being large, cup-shaped, and of a lovely light blue color with a white center. Per pkt., 10c.

Verbesena, Occidentalis—Blossoms very large, richest golden yellow in color, closely resembling a Cosmos, and borne on long, graceful stems. Per pkt., 5c.

One pkt. each of the 12 sorts for only 60c.

BEAUTIFUL ❧ WINTER-BLOOMING ❧ PLANTS.

We offer on this and the three following pages a few plants which are particularly adapted to Winter Blooming. We have a good stock of fine, well-grown plants, all of which have been carefully grown for Winter use. Do not omit to try a few of them, especially the Otaheite Orange, Swainsonia, Roses, Abutilons, and some of the lovely Vines and Foliage Plants.

Winter Blooming Roses.

The following are the finest and surest winter-blooming Roses, and we supply fine, strong plants grown especially for winter display:

Winter Gem—New; offered now for the first time. A Tea Rose of remarkably strong and vigorous growth and a prodigious bloomer all the year. It flowers all the time during winter, hence its name. The blossoms are borne on long, graceful stems, are of large size and of a lovely crimson-pink color. Buds perfectly exquisite. It is the strongest, hardiest, most vigorous and rapid growing Tea Rose in cultivation. Strong plants, 30c. each.

Champion of the World—The Rose for everybody. It commences to bloom as soon as potted from the propagating bench, and continues in the greatest profusion all the time, both SUMMER and WINTER. One plant of it will produce more flowers during the year than ten plants of any common Rose. It is always in full bloom. It is the most healthy and vigorous Rose in cultivation, for its handsome, rank foliage has never been known to mildew under any conditions. It has the most delicious and powerful rose fragrance, which is maintained during the whole year. Its blossoms are perfectly double to the center, and of the most perfect shape, both in bud and blossoms, while its color is a degree of loveliness which few Roses can equal, bearing a rich, deep, rosy pink, darker and richer than Hermosa, and a shade the delicate richness of which is seldom seen. Its size is very large for an everbloomer, often as large and fine as La France, or the best hybrid perpetuals. Strong, well-rooted plants for winter blooming, 20c. each.

Climbing Meteor—Buds exquisite; flowers, large, beautifully shaped and of that rich, dark, velvety crimson color seen only in the Jacqueminot. For winter blooming it is just the Rose to train upon a conservatory or bay window, where its exquisite blossoms will show to wonderful advantage. 20c. each.

Climbing Bride—Like Climbing Meteor, but pure white, very large, double, perfect and fragrant. 20c. each.

Highland Mary—A sport from Agrippena, which originated in Canada, and, like that fine old variety, is a persistent bloomer both summer and winter, with a stronger and better growth; flowers double the size and exceedingly sweet. As to color it is without exception the most exquisitely and delicately colored Rose we ever saw. Blossoms beautifully cupped, each petal being white with a delicate lemon tinge; just enough to make it perfectly exquisite. But this is not all; each petal is also bordered with a delicate band or pink, which, blending with the white and lemon tinge, makes a combination which is truly fascinating. No other rose in the world like it. It will bloom all the time, either in the garden or in pots; is hardy in the open ground with slight protection, and a most exquisite variety for cutting. 25c. each.

SPECIAL OFFER—*One each of these five grand Winter Blooming Roses for $1.00.*

For complete list of our fine Roses, see **Spring Catalogue**, pages 35 to 39. We sell all common Roses at 10c. each.

Verbena Mayflower.

We can furnish fine plants propagated from the original plant of this great new Verbena. Its great merits are color and fragrance like the Trailing Arbutus or Mayflower. The greatest novelty this year. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 6 for 50c.

Otaheite Orange.

An extra fine pot plant with glossy green leaves, the true fragrant orange blossoms and abundant little bright oranges that will hang on the little bush like balls of gold for six months after they are ripe. They will bloom and fruit in a two-inch pot, and we have seen a plant in a common window, that was but 15 inches high and had 23 oranges on it. When good sunlight they are never out of fruit from one year's end to another, and at least two-thirds of the time are in flower also. The fruit is very sweet and handsome. Could we have but one plant in our window it would be an Otaheite Orange. In beauty, grace and fragrance there is nothing like its delicate leafy sprays of blooms, so indescribably exquisite, dainty, lovely, and adorable. Fine plants for blooming and fruiting at once. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Begonia, Vernon.

No other kinds of flowering Begonias can begin to compare with the varieties of B. Vernon for beauty and constant bloom. They are so much superior to others that we have concluded to offer none but these. Plants flower perpetually all the year round, the plants being completely covered with bloom at all times, especially during winter.

Crimson—Produce a profusion of dark crimson flowers.

White—Splendid large blossoms, pure white.

Pink—Lovely blush and pink shades. In other respects exactly like the above, and a plant of perpetual beauty.

Yellow Leaved—This new variety of Begonia Vernon has pure white blossoms slightly shaded or bordered with exquisite silky pink, while the foliage is of a charming yellowish color. The flowers are borne perpetually.

Begonia Erfordie—A most lovely sort, and a great bloomer the year round either in pots or garden. It has large clusters of light pink blossoms, resembling large Tuberous-rooted varieties. It is a free grower and a superb sort.

Price 15c. each; the 5 for 50c.; or $1.00 per dozen.

New Abutilons.

Unlike the ordinary Autilons of scraggy growth, they are very compact and short jointed, making a neat pot plant. The flowers are the most beautiful we have seen among Abutilons, being very large yet short and beautifully cupped and of the most lovely colors. It is safe to say that these varieties will produce five times as much bloom as others.

Infanta Eulalia—This is perfection itself. Plants dwarf and short jointed, producing exquisite large cupped blossoms by the score from the time the plant is four inches high. Blooms all the time, summer and winter. Color a most beautiful soft satin-pink.

Wm. McKinley—Like the above except in color, which is a beautiful clear lemon yellow of exquisite loveliness.

Price 20c. each; the two for 30c.

Swainsonia, (*Swan flower*).

A new plant for winter blooming. It will be hard to name a plant now in cultivation which can equal it in beauty and good qualities. It has a most beautiful fern-like foliage and blooms every day in the year, its blossoms being the shape and nearly the size of Sweet Peas and borne in great clusters of twenty to forty. The plant is a free and rapid grower, beginning to bloom in three or four weeks from cuttings, and continuing for years. It is easier to grow and manage than a Geranium. We believe there is no plant so easy to grow, or one that thrives and blooms under all conditions as does this charming Swanflower.

Pure White—Large, milky white; exquisite.
Deep Red—Fine dark red, with large white blotches.

Price, 20c. each; the two for 30c.

Genista, Shower of Gold.

As a plant for late winter and early spring blooming (especially for Easter), it is almost without an equal. Flowers golden yellow, very fragrant, and borne in large, drooping racemes, and in such quantity as to almost hide leaf and branch—most truly a "Shower of Gold." It is one of the easiest plants to grow we ever saw, and is absolutely sure to bloom profusely in any window. As a plant for rare beauty, delightful fragrance and ease of culture it has no superior, and should adorn every home. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Bridal Rose—(*Rubus Floribunda*).

A remarkable plant with leaves resembling a blackberry in shape; its flowers are produced during the winter, and are as double as a Pæony and almost as large. Color, pure white, and when a plant one or two feet high shows a score or more of these enormous flowers, which they often do, the sight is most novel and attractive. New and little known. Will create a sensation anywhere. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Oxalis Ortgiesi.

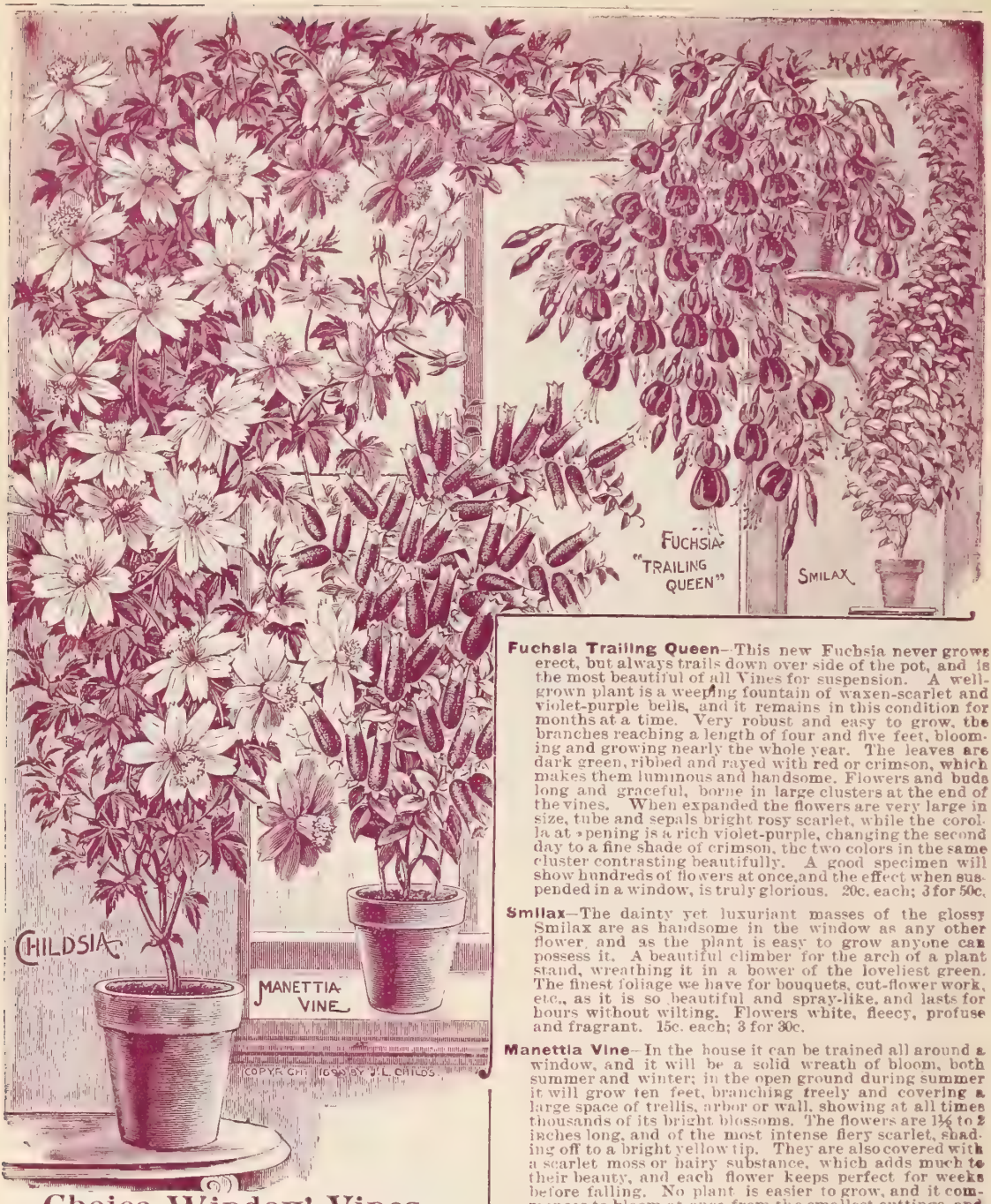
One of the few pot plants that will bloom every day in the year. A robust but neat-habited grower with pretty three-lobed leaves of a dark olive green above and shining crimson purple beneath. The flowers are freely borne in clusters on long stems above the foliage. They are star-like and of a clear golden yellow. A most unique and beautiful pot plant. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Canna, Star 1891.

As a pot plant for blooming, both summer and winter, this Canna has already become recognized as the most valuable and important flowering plant among those who know it. It is utterly impossible to have a plant which is more easily grown or more effective in bloom. The enormous panicles of flowers are borne continually, even on plants which are only a foot or two in height, and in small pots is indeed marvelous, and the intense color of the blossoms makes such plants objects of great beauty. 20c. each.

New Foliage Canna, Rainbow

A most magnificent novelty. Each leaf is beautifully variegated with pink, scarlet, orange, grey, green, etc. In habit of growth it is superb. It hardly reaches the height of three feet, and is compact, with numerous leaves, which are wide, wavy and graceful; in this respect more charming than any other Canna. Aside from its beauty and usefulness as a garden ornament, it is still grander in pots for the window, and makes a specimen plant which nothing, not even Fancy Caladiums, can surpass. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.



Choice Window Vines.

Nothing is better for winter as window plants than the choice flowering Vines here offered. They will all do well, the plants being now large and strong.

Childsia Werckiei, or Treasure Vine—New, and a beautiful climbing compositae, suitable for cool, shady windows or verandas. While it will grow to the height of 10 feet, it blooms profusely when very small, its flowers being like a clematis in shape, but intense scarlet in color, which, added to its foliage and natural grace of growth, makes one of the most elegant flowering plants ever seen. It is a quick, robust grower and so hardy and vigorous that it will stand any amount of abuse. Specimens which we sent to the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew attracted great attention, and it has been decided to call it Treasure Vine on account of its great value; scientifically, Childsia Werckiei. It is a fine winter bloomer. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Fuchsia Trailing Queen—This new Fuchsia never grows erect, but always trails down over side of the pot, and is the most beautiful of all Vines for suspension. A well-grown plant is a weeping fountain of waxen-scarlet and violet-purple bells, and it remains in this condition for months at a time. Very robust and easy to grow, the branches reaching a length of four and five feet, blooming and growing nearly the whole year. The leaves are dark green, ribbed and rayed with red or crimson, which makes them luminous and handsome. Flowers and buds long and graceful, borne in large clusters at the end of the vines. When expanded the flowers are very large in size, tube and sepals bright rosy scarlet, while the corolla at opening is a rich violet-purple, changing the second day to a fine shade of crimson, the two colors in the same cluster contrasting beautifully. A good specimen will show hundreds of flowers at once, and the effect when suspended in a window, is truly glorious. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Smilax—The dainty yet luxuriant masses of the glossy Smilax are as handsome in the window as any other flower, and as the plant is easy to grow anyone can possess it. A beautiful climber for the arch of a plant stand, wreathing it in a bower of the loveliest green. The finest foliage we have for bouquets, cut-flower work, etc., as it is so beautiful and spray-like, and lasts for hours without wilting. Flowers white, fleecy, profuse and fragrant. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Manettia Vine—In the house it can be trained all around a window, and it will be a solid wreath of bloom, both summer and winter; in the open ground during summer it will grow ten feet, branching freely and covering a large space of trellis, arbor or wall, showing at all times thousands of its bright blossoms. The flowers are 1½ to 2 inches long, and of the most intense fiery scarlet, shading off to a bright yellow tip. They are also covered with a scarlet moss or hairy substance, which adds much to their beauty, and each flower keeps perfect for weeks before falling. No plant is easier to grow, and it commences to bloom at once from the smallest cuttings, and continues to bloom most profusely at all times. There is not a day during its life that it is without flowers, if it has any sort of decent care. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 6 for 50c.

Passiflora Pfordti—The best for pot culture, as it blooms when but a foot high; large, handsome, fringed flowers, exhibiting a mingling of white, pink, brown and blue in its coloring making a flower of the most fascinating beauty. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Passiflora Constance Elliott—One of the most graceful of all vines, worth a place in every home for its exquisite foliage. The shining, leathery, five-fingered leaves airily fringing the slender stems, after the snows of winter begin to fall. Flowers pure white. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

SPECIAL OFFER.

One each of the six Glorious Flowering Vines for only 80c.

FINE FOLIAGE PLANTS.

The following superior foliage plants are well adapted to window culture during winter and are highly desirable for that purpose:

FILIFERA, OR WEEPING PALM.

One of the best window Palms, needing no petting to succeed. Stands dust and dry air, and lack of sunshine, and is very ornamental with its elegant fan-shaped leaves of a rich, dark, leathery green. Picturesquely fringed with long thread-like filaments along the segments of the leaves. The plant is a compact grower, well adapted to pot culture, succeeding in any situation, and with any treatment that will keep a Geranium alive. It will make a grand ornament during winter, and in summer it can adorn a veranda or be placed about the garden or yard, or used for a center in a vase, basket or flower bed—always ornamental anywhere. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00. Fresh seed, which will grow rapidly, 10c. pkt.

BOSTON FERN.

Of all decorative plants for house culture this is perhaps the most imposing and satisfactory. It is so hard that it will stand and thrive in most any situation in a room, even if out of the reach of the sun's rays. No Fern is so good in this respect. Plants form an immense number of graceful drooping fronds, varying in length from two to five feet, and always of a fresh, healthy and beautiful green color. These fronds keep in perfect condition for years. We cannot too highly recommend it. Fine plants, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

ASPARACUS, SPRENCERI.

For hanging pots, or bracket pots, where the mass of rich foliage can droop in its natural grace, it is one of the loveliest objects it is possible to find for window decoration. For cutting it lasts weeks in water. Plants also blossom freely and bear large red berries, which add greatly to the beauty of the wavy foliage. Nothing finer for decorating or for bouquet making. Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

SANSEVERIA ZEALANICA.

Singularly beautiful and easily grown. Erect, rigid, sword-like leaves; in some old specimens reaching a length of from four to six feet. The leaves are thick and fleshy, a dark green color, with clouded bars of white. In May and June it sends up long plumy flower spikes. The splendid outlines of the plant, together with its distinctive marbling, make it a superb plant for jardinieres, centers of vases, etc. 20c. each.

PARROT'S FEATHER.

Long trailing stems completely clothed with whorls of the most exquisite foliage, finely cut. If planted in a water-tight hanging basket so the soil can be kept very wet, or water standing on the surface, it will trail down over the side in a most charming manner. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

NEPETA CLECHOMA.

This new Nepeta is hardy, fragrant and its leaves finely marked with white. Very fine for hanging basket, standing any abuse. One of the prettiest things in the world with which to carpet graves, as it roots wherever it touches the ground and forms an impenetrable net-work of vines through which weeds and grasses cannot creep. It will grow in any kind of soil, in sun or shade, hot or cold location, and is ever a mass of green and white refreshing to the eye. Unsurpassed for vases, hanging pots or baskets. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

SPECIAL OFFER—*One each of these 6 fine Foliage Plants for only 80c.*

CHOICE AND RARE FRUITS.

For complete list of our New and Rare Fruits, see our last Spring Catalogue, pages 128 to 144. If you have not this Catalogue, it will be sent free on application.

EVERBEARING TREE BLACKBERRY.

Everbearing Tree Blackberry

For a blackberry, it is the largest, finest flavored, most prolific, fruiting for two months, and requires no stakes. This fine novelty, of which we control the entire stock, is surely one of the most desirable new things we ever offered, and what we say of it we speak from what we have seen and tested, and not from what others say. It grows from five to seven feet high, branching freely into a fine tree form, as seen in the cut, straight and erect, requiring no stake. The berries are of enormous size, equalled only by the Erie; borne in large clusters, which commence to ripen early in July, and continue into September, making its fruiting period nearly two months or more. The finest Blackberries we ever ate we picked about September first from some of these plants, which had been ripening fruit since July 8th. They are exceedingly sweet, juicy and delicious, melting in the mouth without a particle of hard core. It delicate flavor, great productiveness, enormous size, long season of bearing, and perfect hardiness in the coldest part of the country, make it the most valuable of all berries for family use. Some of customers who bought it last spring report that the plants fruited last summer, and berries proved to be the largest and finest ever seen, and that the symmetrical branching of the plants makes them perfect little trees. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.50.

Blackberry, Iceberg.

A new Blackberry the fruit of which is pure white, large and most luscious. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.50.

The Tree Strawberry.

Is said to be a hybrid between the Strawberry and Raspberry, but in its growth the plant is distinct from both the fruits named. The root is perennial, throwing up numerous strong, branching shoots, which are covered with its large, beautiful berries the whole summer, from early in July until freezing weather, rendering it a perpetual bearer. The canes or shoots die to the earth in winter, new ones being thrown up the following spring, which begin blooming and setting fruit at once. The berries are globular, slightly oblong in form, ranging from 1¼ to 1½ inches long and 1 to 1¾ inches in diameter, sweet and melting and of such transcendent beauty as to cause everyone to shout with amazement upon first seeing a plant in bearing. It is the largest and handsomest of all berries. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00.

New Raspberries.

Childs' Allsummer—An everbearer, commencing to ripen its large berries in July and continues until killed by autumn frosts. The plants are strong and vigorous, growing three to five feet in height, standing erect without stakes or other support. Foliage very large and rank, dark green above and silvery white underneath. In hardiness nothing can surpass it, as it has never been injured in the severest climate. It is immensely prolific, the berries being of great size and dark in color.

Souchet Everbearing White—An extra large berry of a beautiful light amber, almost pure white color. Plant has the same general habit as Childs' Allsummer, but it is better for dry soils. Perfectly hardy, vigorous and a great cropper, both summer and fall. The fruit is of extra fine quality. In fact, we think it the finest flavored of all Raspberries, therefore most desirable for the home garden. Its beautiful color contrasting with red or black varieties, makes a very appetizing dish when served together. In many respects this is the very finest Raspberry in cultivation.

Great American—This great berry is the "Eureka" of Luther Burbank. It is the largest berry in cultivation, being a real giant by the side of our common garden varieties, like Cuthbert, Gregg, Souhegan, etc. Color, bright red; firm, very productive, of a luscious, piquant, acid flavor, so much admired. Twice as large as Shaffer's Colossal, which is one of the largest berries in cultivation. Bushes compact in growth, free from prickles, robust, and of ironclad hardiness.

Golden Climber—Planted in a good, rich soil, near a building or trellis, it will grow 10 to 15 feet in a season and the strong, vigorous branches may be fastened up to trellis or building as one would secure a Grapevine. Its fruit ripens very early (one of the very first of all Raspberries), and is produced in very large clusters, is of good size and fine quality, and deep golden yellow in color.

20c. each; $2.00 per dozen; one each of the 4 for 50c.

3 Grandest Strawberries.

Meeks' Early—This is a most important new berry, inasmuch as it is the EARLIEST and BEST of all early varieties. It is a good week ahead of any other in ripening, and it is also of large size, fine quality, and very productive. No other early variety can compare with it.

Mineola—For a general all-around Strawberry, we believe this to be the finest variety in cultivation. It originated on Long Island and has been cultivated here for ten or a dozen years by a few growers, and was first introduced into general cultivation by us last year. The fruit is of very large size and exceedingly sweet and luscious in quality, in this respect surpassing any other variety. It is a most vigorous grower, its foliage being of great size, borne on tall stems which hold them well up from the sand and dirt below. The berries are perfect in shape, beautiful in color, enormous in size and exceedingly prolific, succeeding well on all soils.

Ocean City—A new berry of wonderful value. Its great points of value are: enormous size, surpassing almost any other known sort, and enormously productive. Unlike all other berries, which are usually shy bearers, this one is very prolific. In beauty it has no equal, and always brings a larger price in market than any other. It is a hardy and vigorous grower.

50c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100; $15 per 1,000; 12 each of the 3 sorts for $1.00; 100 each for $5.00.

Great Japanese Wineberry.

The fruit is borne in large clusters, often 75 to 100 berries in a bunch. These berries are from the time of formation and bloom until they ripen, enclosed in a "burr," which is formed by the calyx covering them entirely. When ripe the "burr" opens, exhibiting a large berry of the brightest light glossy scarlet or sherry wine color. The flavor of the fruit is entirely different from any other berry, being very sprightly; sweet and juicy, having no disagreeable sour, but a delicate and luscious flavor peculiar to itself and superior to other berries. It is absolutely free from all insect ravages. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 15 for $1.00; 100 for $4.00.

New Peaches.

Everbearing—This is one of the most remarkable of Peaches, as it combines many desirable qualities which make it of great value for family use. The first ripening begins in July and successive crops are produced until the beginning of Nov. Fruit in all stages of development—ripe and half grown—may be seen upon the tree at the same time. Two-year-old trees bear freely. As the tree blossoms during a long period, a complete failure of fruit can never happen. The fruit is creamy white, mottled and striped with light purple and with pink veins near the skin; very juicy, vinous, and quality very best. Freestone of the Indian type. No praise can do justice to this magnificent novelty. It is really one of the finest things we ever offered. Good size, prolific, best quality and bears continually for three months. What more can be desired? Fine trees, 30c. each; 3 for 75c.; 7 for $1.50.

Holderbaum—A new hardy Peach of enormous size. See our spring Catalogue, page 140. 25c. each.

Excelsior—The tree is a dwarf of low-spreading, willow-like habit of growth, and the fruit buds are so hardy that it produces a full annual crop when all others fail. Fruit medium to large, rich orange-yellow, splashed with carmine on the sunny side, flesh yellow, juicy, very sweet, tender and rich. 20c. each; $2.00 per doz.

Dwarf Japanese—This is the earliest of all Peaches. It is a dwarf growing, very stocky variety from Japan, bearing when three or four feet high; a little tree one year planted, matured twenty-four fine specimens. 25c. each.

Champion—Fruit very large, often 10 inches in circumference. Flavor most delicious, juicy, sweet and rich, surpassing most other varieties. 20c. each; $2.00 per doz.

The Lemon Peach—Extra fine and entirely distinct fruit, being oblong or lemon-shaped, pointed at the apex. Color pale lemon when ripe. It is of large size, 13 inches in circumference; 20c. each; $2.00 per doz.

The Orange Peach—This glorious Peach is a highly valuable and distinct variety, its enormous fruit closely resembling large, luscious oranges, and a tree in bearing reminds one of the orange groves of Florida. 20c. each.

One each of above seven Peaches for $1.25.

Three Grandest Plums.

Delaware or Dwarf-Weeping Plum—A superb and highly ornamental tree of short, symmetrical growth and long branches which droop to the ground. The best Plum in existence, with a most exquisite flavor like the Grape.

Shipper—Tree a large, rank grower and enormously prolific. Fruit of large size, rich, juicy and sweet.

Juicy—Skin thin and transparent, light yellow underlaid with scarlet—as beautiful as wax. In quality it seems to us that there is no other fruit which can approach it.

Price of these three Plums, 25c. each; the 3 for 60c.

Currant.

Childs' Giant Ruby—The berries are very large, borne in enormous clusters of twenty to thirty. In color they are the most beautiful ruby scarlet, sparkling and glossy, and being so large in size they catch every eye and sell more readily and for much better prices than any other.

Empire—New giant sort introduced by us last spring. Extra large, almost the size of grapes; color, richest scarlet red.

Purity—Companion to Empire, but pure white in color, having the same tremendous size and other good qualities.

Crandall Tree—A strong and rapid grower, attaining a height of seven feet and branching freely into a fine symmetrical tree form; single shoots often grow four to five feet in one season. It bears every year a tremendous crop of large black fruit nearly the size of a grape, the quality of which is entirely unlike that of any other black sort.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; $1.50 per doz. One each of the 4 for 60c.

Five Finest Grapes.

Early Ohio—This is the earliest of all Grapes; originated at Euclid, Ohio, in 1882. The third year from seed it set 30 clusters of fruit which were allowed to grow; they ripened August 20th. It has borne large crops every year since, ripening in 1889 the 15th of August, and always as early as the 20th of the month.

Moore's Diamond—This is probably the finest of all white Grapes. The vine is hardy and healthy in growth, vigorous and perfectly free from mildew. Berries large, of a beautiful light straw color and are most delicious.

Niagara—The leading white Grape of the day. Berries very large, borne in large bunches. Flavor sweet and delicious, there being but very few varieties which can equal it. It is exceedingly productive, hardy and robust.

Golden Pocklington—A very sweet and delicious Grape of a beautiful amber color. Hardy, vigorous and productive. A magnificent sort.

Moyer—An extra early Grape, about the size and color of the old Delaware, but with a larger bunch. It is, perhaps, sweeter and more delicious than any other Grape grown.

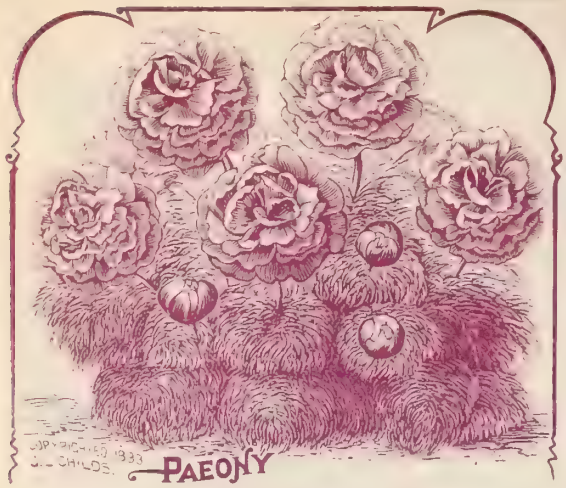
Price—Fine Vines, 20c. each; the 5 for 80c.; $1.50 per dozen.

Apricot Bougoume.

Perfectly hardy and bears when only two or three feet high. Fruit ripens in early summer, before Peaches or any other good fruit, in fact the earliest of the Apricots. Fruit large and a beautiful golden color, rich, sweet and juicy, of finest flavor, and good solid flesh. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Bismarck Apple.

This new Dwarf Apple is indeed a wonder. Little trees a foot or two in height will bear a few Apples of enormous size, either growing in pots or in the ground. 25c. each.



Pæonies.

The favorite of today, as it was fifty years ago. Luxurious foliaged plants with magnificent, double, incurved flowers of enormous size and rich colorings. Nothing can surpass the intensity of the dark varieties that fairly glow with a radiant fire of richness, while the white and pale varieties are very soft and delicate in their coloring.

Fragrans—Fine rich pink with an exquisite perfume. Large and double.

Double Blush—Beautiful light blush-white. Exquisite fragrance and great beauty.

Double Scarlet—Large double scarlet. A grand flower.

Tenuifolium—Fine-cut, fern-like foliage of exquisite beauty, and blooms in May. Rich fiery scarlet.

Humulis Singlie—Large purple rose, very early. Extra.

Price, 25c. each; the 5 for $1.00.

Mixed Pæonies—Ten sorts. $1.25 per dozen.

Fine Hardy Perennials.

Achillea Grandiflora—It commences to bloom by the first of July and is a perfect mass of bloom until frost as many as 5,000 flowers having been counted upon the plant at one time. Flowers pure white, perfectly double, in large sprays, and are unsurpassed for all sorts of cut-flower work, bouquets, etc.

Anemone, Whirlwind—A variety of the beautiful old A. Japonica, but with large, semi-double blossoms of a snow-white color. It possesses a beauty and airy grace which is seen in but few flowers, and its great profusion of bloom at the end of summer and during fall, when pure white flowers are scarce, makes it very valuable.

Candytuft, Hardy—A plant of exquisite beauty, being of low, compact, spreading growth, and producing its profusion of bloom in May or June, when pure white flowers are particularly scarce. Its profusion of bloom is so great that a bed of it looks at a little distance like a mass of fleecy snow just fallen.

Calliopsis Lanceolata—Each plant is a sheet of golden yellow blossoms borne high above the foliage on long, wiry stems. This is the true Lanceolata, a far inferior variety sometimes boing sold for it.

Day Lily, Variegated Leaved—Leaves as handsome as a flower, a rosette cluster of almost white leaves, lightly striped with green and yellow. Flowers, pretty, pale lilac-blue on tall spikes. Fine also for pots.

Calystegia Pubescens—A fine double perennial Morning Glory, a vine coming from the roots each spring and bearing quantities of pale, satiny pink flowers.

Hemerocallis, Lemon Lily—The clear yellow, lily-like flowers are borne on long, stiff stalks, making them superior flowers for large vases or for pulpit bouquets.

Spirea Filipendula—Grows two feet high, with large, feathery plumes of the most charming white blossoms.

Mosquito Catcher Plant—It grows one to two feet high and all summer, bearing a profusion of pretty, white, star-like blossoms that secrete a viscid fluid that attracts mosquitoes, and sometimes other insects as well. Alas for the poor mosquito! No struggling on his part can ever free him after he has once dipped his beak in the forbidden sweets.

Lychnis Chal. fl. pl.—This is one of the most showy of hardy plants. It bears large heads of brilliant scarlet blossoms which are as double as roses. It is a very rare plant, and few of our customers have ever seen it, but all would surely want it if they knew its great beauty.

Perennial Phloxes—Fourteen finest named sorts. All colors.

Rudbeckia, Golden Glow—The finesthardy perennial plant; 8 feet, with thousands of large double yellow blossoms.

Price of these fine Hardy Perennial Plants, 15c. each; any 5 for 50c., or the 12 for $1.00. Any sort at $1.00 per dozen.

Hardy Ornamental Shrubs.

Althea—A fine, tall-growing shrub, that once planted is good for a lifetime. Blooms when but a slip of a plant, but eventually reaches the size of a small tree. Always a symmetrical, upright grower, well clothed with a dark green foliage, and bears every year without fail, a profusion of large, showy, double flowers.

Berberis Thunbergi—Flowers followed by bright red berries, which remain on the bushes all winter and are exceedingly ornamental.

Calycanthus Florida—The "Sweet Shrub" so long a favorite in gardens. The purplish flowers have an exquisite pineapple fragrance of which one never tires, and a spray of which will perfume a whole room.

Callicorpa Purpurea—A lovely shrub, loaded all winter with clusters of pretty blue berries, and therefore very ornamental, and makes a fine contrast with the red berries of the Berberis.

Fern Leaf Tree—A beautiful tree of a low, shrubby growth, making a superb large foliage shrub. Its leaves are like beautiful fern fronds, so finely laciniated and graceful, often two feet in length by ten inches in width. Color, very dark green, while the stems are dark ebony red. It also bears large bunches of red berries, and in autumn the leaves color very brightly at the touch of frost. It is one of the very finest shrubs in cultivation.

Deutzia Gracilis—Grows only two feet high, but is weighted to the ground with its load of white Lily-of-the-Valley-like blossoms. Fine for forcing in winter.

Exochordia—A new Japanese shrub of great beauty; a complete mass of snowy white blossoms in May.

Hydrangea Paniculata—Generally considered the most valuable and ornamental shrub in existence. Bushy and robust, every branch tipped in midsummer with an immense close panicle of flat, snow-white flowers of gigantic size. The trusses of bloom are ten to twelve inches long and nearly as thick through, and last for two or three months, turning pinkish toward the last. No other shrub makes such a show on the lawn or is so universally admired. Grand for cemetery use, and always blooms finely the first summer.

Hydrangea Impreterice Eugenia—A fine, hardy sort, producing great flat cymes of sky-blue, among which are scattered great star-shaped white or pink blooms. Exceeding showy and a rival to the famous Paniculata.

Sweet Pea Shrub—The shrub of shrubs for bouquet makers. When it is in bloom it is really but a big bouquet itself, so full is it of dainty sprays of large, lovely, rose-pink blooms, to which the graceful pinnate foliage is an admirable background. Very hardy and robust, and commences to bloom when but a foot high. Its glorious flowers are borne in clusters and are the size and shape of the most lovely Sweet Peas, but its color is more beautiful.

Spirea, Bumalda—So dwarf and compact it can be grown where large shrubs would be out of place. A cloud of lovely rose-pink flowers for months. Very fine.

Spirea, Fortunei Rosea—A medium-sized shrub and a great bloomer. Panicles of delicate pink flowers.

Spirea, Fortunei Alba—Like the above, but pure white.

Spirea, Anthony Waterer—A perpetual bloomer and suitable either for garden or pots. It is of a dwarf habit, flowering profusely when only a few inches in height, and at all times and seasons. The flowers are of a lovely pink color, borne in dense clusters, and have a peculiar feathery appearance which is extremely beautiful.

Syringa, Mock Orange—This much resembles the orange blossoms. When in bloom their delicious orange odor is wafted by the breeze a long way.

Weigelia—We have seen canes of this three and four feet long, one solid wreath of flowers from tip to end, and fifty more such canes could have been cut from the bush.

Hardy Vines.

Wisteria, Sinensis Magnifica—Fine large clusters of lovely blue flowers, produced in great masses.

Ampelopsis Veichti—The fashionable wall climber of the day. Clings tightly by suckers thrown out along the stem to brick, etc., and is a wall of living green the summer through, turning in autumn to a flaming crimson, when it is fairly gorgeous. It stands the dust and dry air of cities admirably. Nothing else can take its place.

Honeysuckle, Golden Leaved—Marvelously effective. It bears innumerable sprays of the most perfect little leaves that are covered with a net-work of gold and green, often marked with pink also. The gold deepens at the tip of the sprays, and there is nothing finer to combine with corsage bouquets, while for trimming floral baskets they are the finest things we know of. Blossoms pure white.

Honeysuckle, Halliana—The best white monthly Honeysuckle, with dark green foliage, which keeps fresh and green nearly all winter; and beautiful clusters of the sweetest-scented flowers that open a snowy-white and turn a pale yellow. These flowers are produced in profusion from early spring to late fall. A fine vine for a trellis or veranda.

PRICE of above Fine Shrubs and Vines, 15c. each; 5 for 50c., or more at 10c. each.

FINE LILIES.

The brush cannot paint. or the pen portray, the exquisite purity and delicacy, yet magnificent grandeur of the stately Lily. It is the plus ultra of floral beauty, and we urge our friends to each year add a few Lilies to their collection. No other flower will so adorn our homes when in bloom, and they constantly improve after planting. We feel sure, if our readers could see a good collection of from twenty to forty different sorts in bloom. they would never rest until they had a goodly number of their own. As a rule, Lilies are of the easiest cultivation, especially the following, which have been carefully selected as the hardiest, handsomest and best. We grow at Floral Park about five acres of Lilies, and the Bulbs we offer are large, healthy, vigorous and cheap.

Brownii—A grand Lily, but very rare. The large, wax-like flowers are chocolate-purple on the outside, snowy-white inside. Stamens, a rich chocolate-brown. Blossoms, large and trumpet-shaped. 40c. each.

Batemanniæ Pure apricot color, without spots. A much prized Japanese variety. 20c. each.

Colchesteri -The Improved Brownii, which is one of the rarest and most lovely of all hardy Lilies. Pure white, slightly marked chocolate—rich, fragrant, large, wide-open flower. 60c. each ; 2 for $1.00.

Canadense - Beautiful bell-shaped native variety. 15c.

Elegans Bicolor—Truly magnificent, being Tulip-shaped, and bloom in June. The blossoms are large and exceedingly showy, being of a brilliant red, flamed with yellow. 10c. each ; $1.00 per dozen.

Elegans, Midnight -Rich, velvety, crimson-black ; most superb color. Exceedingly rare and beautiful. 50c.

Elegans, Leonard Joerg Light yellow, spotted black ; very beautiful and new. 20c.; 3 for 50c.

Elegans, Robusta Extra large flower of beautiful cup shape. Clear apricot, thickly spotted. Very beautiful and robust. 20c.; 3 for 50c.

Elegans, Aurora—A perfectly lovely flower. Cup a deep, rich orange, suffused at tips with deep crimson. 20c.

Elegans, Painted Chief Brightest Indian red with orange border. Fine. 40c. each.

Elegans, Quilp Broad petals and grand round flower of a bright currant color. 40c. each , 3 for $1.00.

Elegans, Citrinum Elegant lemon yellow, small black dots. 25c.

Elegans, Mixed Colors A fine variety, all early bloomers and of bright and showy colors. 10c. each ; $1.00 per doz.

Krameri—Flowers very large, Auratum shaped and of the most superb tint of color, being a delicate, rosy pink, so soft, delicate and exquisite as to be utterly indescribable. No Lily superior to this. 25c. each.

Longiflorum Variegatum -The leaves of this variety are most beautifully variegated white and green, making a plant of great beauty. 40c. each ; 3 for $1.00.

Longiflorum - White, trumpet formed, very fragrant. A lovely Lily, being almost exactly like the Bermuda Easter Lily, but blooming a little later, and hardy. 15c. each ; $1.30 per dozen

Pardalinum Rich scarlet and yellow, spotted with rich brown. Robust and free flowering. A superb Lily, and one which will give the greatest possible satisfaction. 15c. each ; $1.30 per dozen.

Superbum - Three to 6 feet high ; flowers from five to forty, nodding, brilliant orange red ; blooms in July. 15c.

Tenuifolium—The lovely Coral Lily of Siberia. A little beauty. The brightest of all Lilies. Grows 20 inches high, with finely cut foliage, slender stems and beautiful shaped flowers of a shining coral red. One ought to grow them by the dozen, they are so fine for cutting, and make such grand clumps for the lawn. Blooms very early. Having grown an enormous stock of this exquisite Lily we are prepared to offer it at the extremely low price of 15c. each ; 3 for 35c.; 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00.

Tigrinum, fl. pl.—(Double Tiger Lily). This is a plant of stately habit, growing from four to six feet high ; foliage is dark green and very long, bearing an immense number of double bright orange-red flowers, spotted with black. 10c. each ; 3 for 25c.

Tigrinum Splendens - Improved Tiger Lily. 5c. each.

Umbellatum - One of the very best, blooming in June or July, with very large, perfect flowers. Colors range from black-red through all the shades of crimson, rose, yellow, buff, apricot, etc., many being finely spotted and variegated. 25 finest sorts, mixed, 10c. each ; per dozen, $1.00.

Wallacei—This Lily is very floriferous, each bulb throwing up from four to six flower stems, each one of which is crowned with three to ten beautiful upright blossoms of a delicate, bright apricot color. It is very perfect in form and a most desirable sort. 10c. each ; 70c. per dozen.

AURATUM LILIES.

Auratum - (The Golden Banded Lily of Japan). We can say that this is the grandest of all Lilies, and certainly the most popular. 20c. each ; $2.00 per dozen.

Auratum Macranthum This grand variety of L. Auratum produces bulbs of great size which throw up a growth of remarkable strength and vigor. The flowers are pure ivory white, with a golden band through each petal, and numerous golden-yellow spots. 75c. each.

Auratum Rubro Vittatum - Flowers of enormous size, pure snow white, thickly spotted with crimson, and with a wide dark blood-red band through the center of each petal. Its great beauty is a marvel to all. 75c. each.

Auratum Wittei- Lovely pure white with golden band, but without spots. 75c. each.

GRAND SPECIOSUM LILIES.

The Speciosums are the hardiest, most robust and free flowering of all Lilies, not omitting the old Tiger Lily, while in beauty they are second to none. The magnificence of their blossoms cannot be described. Having a large stock we are prepared to offer them very low, and trust that our customers will profit by it.

Rubrum (Lancifolium). Large, wide flowers, recurving more or less at the tips. Among the showiest of all Lilies, and perhaps the most robust and the most radiantly beautiful. Very fragrant and hardy. Lovely rose and white-spotted crimson. 10c. each ; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 80c.

Melpomene—Words cannot describe the beauty of this variety. Frosted, white, spotted, clouded and bearded with pinkish crimson. Petals deeply recurved and widely bordered. 20c. each ; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Praecox—Large, perfect and beautiful. Frosted white with a tinge of blush at the tip of petals. The plush-like fringe in each petal adds to its beauty. 20c. each ; 3 for 50c.

Monstrosum Album Broad, flat stems and immense heads of flowers, often fifty in a cluster. Pure snow white. 15c. each ; 3 for 35c.; 7 for 75c.

Opal -We had thought that no Speciosum could exceed Melpomene, but this new Lily is even larger, grander, and, if possible, more richly colored. Like the opal, for which it is named, the eye drinks in its lovely tints with delight. To say that it is frosted, glistening white, delicately clouded and suffused with rosy blush and spotted with rosy scarlet, is to convey but a slight idea of its perfect loveliness. The deeply recurved petals are snowy white at the tip, gradually deepening in color to the base of each petal, which is blotched with a raised moss-like fringe, which glistens like diamonds. The flower is very large. 50c each ; 3 for $1.25.

Henryi—This is the new yellow. Very tall in growth, with large orange yellow blossoms. By far the strongest and most vigorous of all. A yellow Speciosum is indeed a novelty, and it is a beauty. 75c. each.

6 LILIES, SHOWN ON COVER, FOR 60c.

For only 60c. we will send the six fine Lilies shown on back of this cover, namely, Wallacei, Longiflorum, Speciosum Melpomene, Elegans, Pardalinum, and Tenuifolium.

12 BEAUTIFUL LILIES FOR $1.00.

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Seed sown at any time during the winter will commence blooming in about thirty days, and when the plants are only three to four inches high, and continue for months. The flowers are very large and of varied and brilliant colors, and *remain open all day*, from morning until night, making as pretty a pot of flowers as you can imagine. The cut represents a pot of them forty days from the time of sowing the seed. They are in no respect hard to grow, and will succeed in any window, and we are sure that no plant or bulb can be purchased for double the price which will give so much real beauty and enjoyment, and for so long a period during winter, as will a pot of these lovely Morning Glories.

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The most complete collection of vegetable recipes ever published. It gives the following number of ways for using different vegetables: Asparagus, 14; Artichoke, 4; Beans, 20; Beets, 10; Broccoli, 2; Corn, 13; Carrot, 5; Chow-chow, 6; Celery, 15; Cabbage, 22; Cucumber, 9; Cauliflower, 15; Catsup, 10; Egg Plant, 4; Greens, 6; Mushrooms, 16; Melons, 8; Onions, 14; Okra, 5; Peas, 14; Parsnip, 12; Pumpkin, 9; Potatoes, 55; Potatoes, Sweet, 18; Pickles, 35; Salads, 56; Spinach, 8; Salsify, 8; Squash, 15; Turnip, 6; Tomato, 33; Soups, 57, etc.,—in all, 555 recipes.

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Size, 16x33, in eighteen colors, showing thirteen varieties of the finest double Iris Kæmpferi in natural colors. It is useless to attempt to describe the beauty of this loveliest of all floral paintings. The great flaming blossoms in the loveliest tints stand out in all their silken lustre and charm the eye with their matchless beauty.

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Enormous, large trumpet-shaped blossoms of a delicate canary yellow, and large sulphur white perianth. One of the most elegant and beautiful of all Narcissus. A very early bloomer and extra fine either for the garden or for winter-blooming in pots.

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